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THE "PENCE" ISSUES OF NEWFOUNDLAND

By W. WARD.

To my mind the postage stamps of Newfoundland present the ideal country for any collector to take up. Free from varieties of watermark and perforation it is the perfect "busy-man's" country. The first issues when Newfoundland was a crown colony, and before it got Home Rule, are grand and regal examples of the engraver's art. The penny and fivepenny values show the heraldic emblems of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, together with the British Crown, the remaining values portraying the emblems sans the crown. It is rather of interest to note the differences of the shamrock on these stamps. The 1p, 2p, 3p, 4p, 5p, 8p and 1sh exhibit a complete spray, but the 6p value only shows two leaves, whilst the 6½p stamp defines but one perfect leaf faintly covering another.

Some of these pence issues are not rare, but on the other hand unused copies are by no means common with full original gum. Used specimens in very fine condition and good margins are always worth full catalog, and there are many instances of their selling by auction for much more. Especially the penny and five penny values are difficult to obtain with good all round margins, because these values were set closely together being barely 3 mm. between the stamps. Thus to get a good copy, four others must suffer.

A peculiarity of one stamp—the 6½p—is that this value never oxodizes, as the other values, which turn anything from a bright lake to black-brown. Evidently it was printed from a different ink, though the shade appears the same as the virgin colors of the other "lakes" of this issue.

The rare stamps are of course those of 1857—such as the 2d, 6½d, 8d and 1sh. Certainly such stamps have received due attention from the gentry who make a specialty of forging all good things. The stamps of Newfoundland had this compliment paid them so early as thirty years ago, when probably all the early issues were copied. I do not think however that there are any modern imitations of these stamps. Few of the forgeries should mislead the discriminating philatelist—at any rate if they are all like those in my own collection which is fairly complete. The chief points of difference are that the figures of value are generally badly formed, badly balanced and out of unison with each other. The network in the body of the stamps is broken and uneven, though the genuine is beautifully engraved—being very clear, distinct and symmetrical. The letters J and S have presented a difficulty to the forger—for these are always badly formed. The former, in the word St. John's has a thin bar and a very thick hook, and like the S are badly balanced. In all forgeries the "Rose" has no defined petals. The paper on which these fakes are printed is generally thick and heavy, and slightly glazed—which I can allot as being of Continental manufacture. Canadian, Newfoundland and Scottish manufactured paper is always hard, thinish and strong—due greatly to the mineral elements of the local water used in the mills. A further difference is that whilst the forgers have got almost the correct shade of color, their ink has a bright appearance, as also has the postmark. Often as not the forgeries show a pen-mark or initials on the face of the stamp—as do often the genuine. But the latter is "dead" and old looking, whilst the "fake" mark looks bright and quite black.

The cheapness of many of the unused stamps in proportion to the used specimens, has tempted the "faker" to provide his unused copies with a postmark. These can be distinguished fairly easily. The genuine cancellation consists of oval or round form of narrow thin well defined bars in a dull black but evenly spread color. The forged leaves an impression similar to that of a rubber-stamp, and very bright black ink has been used—not unlike ordinary printers' ink. The bars of the obliteration are thick and uneven—and in some instances I think a wine cork has been pressed into service. Of course the genuine obliterator was made of metal.

The remainders of unused Newfoundland stamps, when by Royal decree in 1865, the colony changed its currency from pounds, shillings and pence to dollars and cents, were never really great

Turks Islands

The ship design is obsolete, and Edward (him of the VII) is on the stamps, but unlike other colonies the stamps are line engraved on unsurfaced paper. We offer:

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—The Imperial Philatelic Association, J. Russell Reed, Sec., 39 Rindge Ave., N. Cambridge, Mass., will shortly publish a philatelic reference book, containing lists of philatelic publications, societies, catalogs, dealers and information generally useful to collectors. A few pages will be reserved for advertising.

—John M. Hubbard, Rochester, N. H., has composed and published a march dedicated to Hon. Henry B. Quinby, governor of the state. Some months ago we noted that Mr. Hubbard had placed upon the market Canney's March, dedicated to Grand Master C. H. Canney of the I. O. O. F.

—Cleveland Bundlie favors us with specimens of the W. A. T. A. label described last week in our columns.

—The I. X. L. Stamp & Coin Co. sends us a clipping noting the death of John Hopkins, who is stated to be "The first man to drive the historic pioneer pony express that carried the mail overland from St. Louis to San Francisco."

—We have received a copy of the Waterbury *American* containing an interview with Wm. D. Pierson, a local philatelist, in which he deals with the advantages of stamp collecting in such a way as to make it a valuable contribution to recruiting literature.

—Geo. T. Bush sends us a cordial word of greeting. We quote from his communication. "Best wishes for the season from one of your A. P. S. supporters. I start on a trip around the world in January, to be gone six months."

—The Hussman Stamp Co. has ordered a square permanent insertion on page 8, supplementary to the two other positions already occupied by this firm.

—W. C. Emery, 50 Dawes St., Springfield, Mass., has been appointed Sales Supt. of the U. S. R. S. and is desirous of receiving stamps for circuits, and as well requests for circuits. For information address him as given above.

—Howard C. Bartlett sends us a couple of clippings from Wisconsin papers. One from the Wilwaukee *Sentinal* is an interesting sketch about the stamp fad with a local coloring. Mr. Bartlett also submits a specimen of the Xmas label issued by the W. A. T. A. to fight the white plague. The label is in the familiar red and green colors, but is about twice the size of the red cross stamp. At the top are three bells and underneath a wreath with the usual inscriptions enclosed.

—The story with variations is still going the rounds of the press of the young lady who insists on using 3c stamps on correspondence in order to harmonize with her lavender stationery. The latest is from the N. Y. *Tribune*. Clipping from F. W. Graham.

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(Under this heading we note the receipt of catalogs, price lists, etc., from advertisers using the WEEKLY. Where addresses are given samples may always be obtained post free.—Ed.)

—Picture post card "Temple of Heaven," Peking, from Jun Kobayagawa Co.

—Clippings from J. A. Wainwright (2), Chas. E. Fisher, Giles H. Dickinson (3), E. R. Vanderhoof, M. A. Lesser (2), and Walter M. Smith.

—Catalog of Phila. Stamp Co.'s 22nd Auction Sale, Jan. 14-15, 1910. Collection of Mrs. L. C. Hooper, Winnipeg, Can., to be sold.

—Christmas greetings from A. Kelson, D. T. Eaton, Mr. and Mrs. Alvah Davison, Henry V. Blackburn, F. J. Martin and Fred J. Melville.

—Catalog of the United Stamp Co.'s Auction Sale, No. 143, to be held Sat., Jan. 8, 1910.

—Catalog of Morgenthau's 28th sale, to be held Jan. 12. General line.

—Vol. I. No. 1 *Michigan Philatelist*, 607 S. Rose St., Kalamazoo, Mich. A sample copy will be its best introduction.

—Bargain Bulletin No. 3, Leon V. Cass, New Milford, Pa. Four-page leaflet pricing single stamps.

—Auction catalog from Plumridge & Co., No. 323. Sale Jan. 12, 1910.

A PHILATELIC CHRISTMAS TREE.

"A little nonsense now and then,
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This old adage was fully proven on the evening of the 21st of December, when the members of the Philadelphia Stamp Club met to the number of forty to celebrate their Christmas meeting. The entertainment committee had provided a Christmas tree beautifully decorated with a number of bright colored electric lights and glass ornaments, and over the whole was arranged a shower of favors, one for each member. The favors consisted of a card bearing an embossed wreath of holly, enclosing the date "1909" and below the wreath in old English type "Greeting from the Philadelphia Stamp Club" on the opposite and each card bore a stamp covered by a band of holly paper bearing an appropriate Christmas stamp. Each card was numbered, and the members drew lots for the stamp prizes, which listed from 5c to $1.25 each. This is the first instance of a philatelic Christmas tree on record, and to say that the members enjoyed the occasion is putting it very mild. Mr. Steinmetz presented the club library with a number of valuable philatelic works, making the presentation with very beautiful and complimentary remarks. An auction of 101 lots completed the evening's entertainment, which was voted as one of the most enjoyable the club had experienced.

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EDITORIAL.

Many Many Thanks—From east and west, north and south, holiday greetings have come to the WEEKLY. To those who have been so considerate as to send Christmas cards, we return heartfelt thanks; to all who have added to our holiday cheer, we extend cordial greeting. We wish every reader the happiest and most prosperous of New Years. The philatelic horizon is very roseate, and while 1909 has been a satisfactory year from almost every philatelic viewpoint, there is ample foundation on which to base the prediction that the brightness of 1910 will dim that of 1909. May the shining auguries of the present be wholly verified during the New Year.

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The Seybold Stamps—The Seybold collection and its sale was made the subject of a full page illustrated article in a recent Sunday issue of the Syracuse *Herald;* and not the least interesting portion is the remarks about marketing the collection. From this section, we quote the following as showing the probability that the collection will be kept intact by the new owner:

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No Novelty—From G. B. Lighthall, we have received for inspection, plate-number strips of the 1895 issue with watermarks inverted and sideways and reversed. As Mr. Lighthall says, reversed watermark varieties are now a new thing in United States stamps. Almost so soon as the watermarked stamps were issued in 1895, inverted watermarks were found; and this variety of the one-cent of the 1895 issue was first called to our attention by E. B. Power many years ago.

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The Penflip Prize—Our indispensable friend, Louis G. Barrett propounds an interesting query, as follows: What British colony, at present issuing postage stamps expressed on some of the stamps of its earlier issues, a monetary unit other than pounds, shillings and pence; rupees, annas, and pies; or dollars and cents? Name the colony and issue as well as the monetary unit and give the reason for the use of the term. We agree with Mr. Barrett, who says: "It would be news to many, I believe, even to close students of British colonial issues that such an inscription ever had a place on their favorite stamps." Mr. Barrett's question and his suggestion that a prize be offered for the most comprehensive correct answer were brought to the attention of Parnassus Penflip. The great Penflip glowed with enthusiasm instantaneously and said: "I, myself, shall award the honorarium which will be an unused British colonial with a facial expression of not less than five shillings." Needless to say, the winner of the prize will consider the fact of the stamp merely incidental to the knowledge that the specimen comes from the justly renowned Parnassus Penflip. The winner of the prize will be announced in the issue to be dated January 29, 1910.

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Explained—A reader in New York City says: "In the WEEKLY of November 27th, you ask for information about a postmark reading: 'Jarrett and Palmer's Special Fast Trans-Continental Train.' Jarrett and Palmer were the proprietors of a theatrical company and had made arrangements to appear in San Francisco on a certain date but as their New York engagement left them only a few days to reach San Francisco, the enterprising managers engaged a special train. This train made the fast time of between four and five days, something remarkable for those days (1876). This information is given from memory; at the time, I was a resident of San Francisco." We thank our correspondent for the information respecting this pioneer commemorative postmark. Jarrett and Palmer were famous for their spectacular productions in those days and their companies were large numerically. We take it that the government recognized the feat of the managers and allowed the use of the special postmark form and cancellation.

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So Far So Good—From an English reader, a keen student of United States stamps, the following letter has been received: "I regret that my query of June 19th which you kindly printed in No. 969—July 24—does not appear to have drawn any reply for I have not seen any note referring to it, although I have carefully read each succeeding copy of the paper. Perhaps, there is still a chance that some of your numerous correspondents may turn back to it. Here is another for the specialists in the stamp of your country. Mr. Luff in his 'Postage Stamps of the United States,'—issue of 1894/95 on page 181 writes: 'Plate 170 of the 2 cents presents an interesting variety. In the upper left quarter, the first three vertical rows at the left side are of type II, the balance of the plate is type III.' I have just acquired 40 stamps from this plate 170. They are the first four vertical rows of the *lower* left quarter; the first three of these rows are of type II, and the fourth row of type III. I want to know: Whether the word 'upper' in Mr. Luff's book is a misprint for 'lower'; whether the word 'upper left quarter' should be amended to read 'upper and lower left quarters.'" By referring to a part of the upper left quarter of sheet 170, we assured ourselves that as Mr. Luff, says, "the first three vertical rows at the left side are of type II." Inasmuch as our correspondent has forty stamps of the lower left quarter with the arrangement of the types as specified by him, it is proved that Mr. Luff's wording should be amended to read, "upper and lower left quarters." Knowing that H. E. Deats of Flemington, New Jersey possessed entire sheets of plate 170, we wrote to him in the hope of learning absolutely about the schemes of all the four sheets or panes but our friend writes: "I have looked in vain for my entire sheets of plate 170. . . . . I have made a copy of the letter you send me and if I do locate anything, I shall write you."

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Help Us—Some months ago, the English correspondent quoted in the preceding item, asked some question that we are unable to answer but we promised confidentially that the desired information would be forthcoming. It would no longer elude us, as we should, we said, publish the inquiries in the WEEKLY; we intimated that this course would solve the problem and that the sages among our readers would find the questions tractable enough. The queries were published but no answers came, a circumstance that is almost unbelievable. In the pique felt at the promise that was broken, we seek for an excuse. We have one and it is this: When the questions were propounded in the issue of July 17, not July 24, as our correspondent says, the wiseacres of philately were on their vacations and quite properly recruiting the intellectual forces that

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Dividing lines—1895 watermarked issue of U. S. A. stamps.

1. In the 1, 2 and 10c plates with 400 on, I understand there is a printed line through the centre perpendicularly and also through the centre horizontally, dividing the sheet into four panes—each of 100 stamps, and that it was through these printed dividing lines that the sheets were cut before distribution. This explains the top, bottom, left and right hand "cut edge" varieties, and also the 4 varieties each with one long and one short cut edge. Most of these I have, showing the dividing lines not cut away.
   (a) Are there any other *lines* on these plates?
   (b) Are there any other of the values of this issue with 400 on plate?
2. If the 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 15, 50c, and 1, 2, $5 plates were all 200 on:—
   (a) Are the two 10x10 panes placed horizontally on the plate, with a perpendicular dividing line between them? I assume it is so as I have nearly all these values each with cut edge and dividing line not cut away at left, and also at right hand side.
   (b) What is the object of the horizontal line to be found along top and also along bottom edge of the "perforated all round" stamps of these values? I have all values up to and including $1.
   (c) In what position on the plate was this line placed?
   (d) Is it on the plate of the 2 and $5?

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I have 10c with line and cut edge at top, and also at bottom; and I have just obtained a copy of this 10c with line and *perforations* at bottom. Why the difference?

THE STAMP MARKET.

By SENAX.

Looking through an old list I see the 15 paras Servia, surcharged Arms, 1903, priced wholesale at a much lower figure than it can be got now-a-days, and snap my fingers in vexation that I didn't invest in a few hundreds. I sold a copy today for 2d and think it cheap at that figure. By the way, the 15 paras of 1905 does not seem to be so frequently employed in the post as it once was; anyhow, it is a good penny stamp.

A seller of Mozambique has hard luck sometimes. Brittle, crackable, with wonderful capacities for face peeling, and a head that sometimes drops entirely out of the frame on account of the severity of the embossing, perfect copies of the 1885 series should be worth all they are priced.

Of Bosnia, 1906, used values above the 10c are coming to hand freely, and have a good sale. Among the 35h I found a copy perforated 12½ by 9½ by 7; this ought to be worth something to a specialist!

Older issues of Bosnia, now gradually coming into popularity on account of the European revival, should perhaps be ventured upon carefully; in this field there are some heavy postmarks.

Some of the Brazil Services come to hand crushed and crumpled, probably by being used on parcels; pressure between sheets of damp blotting paper is found to be an effective straightener.

I had an idea that 6d for a set of four Azores, 1906, was dear, until I came to handle a sample lot of these. Nice copies being hard to find it seems hopeless to attempt to sell the set for less.

Used 1c values of Madagascar, 1904, must be elevated to the rank of penny stamps, since their cost is about double what it used to be; in a list before me it is priced even higher than the 4c denomination, which is not too easy to get.

Seeking to buy old issues of French Unpaids by the dozen, the price is found to approach in same cases to nearly full catalogue value. And the price per ten copies for the French 3c yellow on buff of 1877, and the 1c, 2c, 4c and 10c greens of the same date, is close enough to the retail quotation to almost rub shoulders.

Quotations for some South African stamps may entice by the lowness of the figure, but the buyer should ascertain whether the parcel contains fiscally as well as postally used.

It is noticeable that when any older issue is quoted for, in the price lists, the quotation does not usually stand for very long; to this remark there are exceptions, but a buyer is perhaps wise where he invests in the stamps that are least accessible.

The interest displayed among recent Panamas has apparently led to a wider appreciation of the older issues of this territory, for some correspondents have nice lots of the 1892 issue, and these are good things to have.

The 5 piastre Egypt O. H. H. S. is a more frequent quotation per dozen than it used to be.

The 50c and 1 peso Mexico are also obtainable occasionally in dozens, are usually nicely cancelled, and are good sellers.

Persistent enquiry for the 12c, 15c and 20c Mexico, 1895, in good condition, should prove a profitable venture.

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UNITED STATES.—B. D. Forster reports that the $2 New York State Transfer stamp of the current issue is now issued with multiple surcharge in greenish blue instead of maroon, as heretofore.

L. Williams reports receiving a 2c stamp, with a new mailing machine perforation, which came from Chicago. The dark line forming the outside of the design is missing on the right side. As there is a broad margin on that side, the edge could not have been clipped off.

J. Arthur Wainwright reports having seen Permit No. 1, of Baltimore, Md., but with no value before the word "Paid." The postage was paid by 13c and 8c stamps.

BOLIVIA.—Hermann Focke sends us two covers from Bolivia showing the 2c value of the commemorative set, the 20c having been previously noted. The 2c has the portrait of Coronel Ignacio Warnes, and the date is "27 de Noviembre de 1817." Mr. Focke calls attention to a curious blunder in the 20c. The name under the celebrity reads originally "Estevan Arze" which is wrong, as it should be "Esteban" in Spanish, consequently the letter "V" has been altered either by print or by script into "B"; I have several of these two varieties, but have none with a definite "B" for "V."

BULGARIA.—A new series of stamps is in preparation, to consist of 10 values, two less than the current set. The stamps are being prepared by Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co., London. An issue of 165,000,000 stamps of all values has been ordered, the face value being about $1,800,000.

ECUADOR.—Hermann Focke shows a cover having two of the tall 5c fiscal stamps used for postage, without any surcharge. They are dated "1909-1910."

JAPAN.—We have already chronicled the 4s in a new shade. John Terry now shows the 1s in a new shade, and informs us that he has also seen the 15s and 50s in new shades.

Adhesive.

1s pale red brown.

NEW ZEALAND.—A complete new set of stamps has been issued for the "Dominion of New Zealand," as the inscriptions on the new stamps read. The stamps are of the same size as the current Canadian set, but have a different portrait of the King. In fact there are two portraits used, the ½d being different from the others in the set. The 1d stamp still appears in a modification of the familiar "Universal Postage" design. All the stamps have "Dominion of" in a straight line at the top, with "New Zealand" in a curved line just below. The value in words appears in a straight line at the bottom of each value, with the value in figures in small shields at the sides,—near the bottom on the 8d and 1sh values, at the centre on the 1d and near the top on the balance of the set. Each stamp shows minor differences in the ornaments, though the Imperial Crown occupies a prominent place on all the values except the 1d, and there are three crowns on the 4d. The ½d and 1d stamps are perforated 14x15½, and the balance of the set 14, all being on paper watermarked single lined NZ and star. We are indebted to Hermann Focke for an opportunity to examine the new stamps, which were issued November 6.

Adhesives.

½d yellow green.
1d carmine.
2d lilac.
3d yellow brown.
4d orange.
5d violet brown.
6d rose carmine.
8d deep blue.
1sh red orange.

SOMALI COAST.—The new stamps announced in No. 961 has at last appeared, a full set having been shown us by the New England Stamp Co. As announced, the designs are modified copies of the previous designs, but in the case of the centime values the designs are enlarged to the same size as the franc values. The letter "c" is added also to all the centime values, in a very small type near the top of the figure, with a period below the letter. There are minor differences all through the stamps, though naturally less on the franc values, than on those that have been enlarged. The appearance of the whole set is greatly improved. There is no 15c in the set as shown. All the stamps are in new colors, and the perforation has been changed to 13x14.

Adhesives.

1c claret and pale brown.
2c purple and gray.
4c olive gray and blue.
5c green and olive green.
10c carmine and red orange.
20c gray black and red brown.
25c ultramarine and blue.
30c brown and red.
35c purple and gray green.
40c carmine and violet.
45c brown and blue green.
50c claret and brown.
75c red and yellow green.
1fr purple and brown
2fr red brown and carmine.
5fr brown violet and blue green.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.—The 2sh 6d stamp, with large postage, has appeared on Crown A paper.

SPAIN.—A new set of stamps is in process of issue, the 15c value having been shown us by the New England Stamp Co., while *Ewen's Weekly* notes the issue of the 5c value also. An entirely new design has been prepared, the King's head appearing in a small circle near the top of the stamp. The portrait is the same as that used on the last issues of Rio de Oro and Spanish Guinea. The circle containing the portrait is surmounted by a crown, while small shields in the upper corners contain the figures of value to the left and the abbreviated denomination to the right. "Espana" is printed in white letters below the tablet, while "Correos" is just below in colored letters and a curved line. The stamps are a great improvement in design over the previous issue, though radically different in appearance. They still have control letters on the back. The remainder of the values and colors given below we draw from *Lemaire's Collectionneur.*

Adhesives.

2c brown.
5c green.
10c red.
15c violet.
20c bronze green.
25c blue.
30c blue green.
40c rose.
50c blue.
1p carmine.
4p violet.
10p orange.

ST. LUCIA.—The New England Stamp Co. shows us three values in the new color scheme.

Adhesives.

½d gray green.
3d violet on yellow.
1sh black on green.

TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS.—Louis G. Barrett suggests that the "strange object" in the lower corner of the new stamps is probably a "sea anemone," commonly found in southern waters.

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Switzerland came to the fore and shew the progress attained by collectors in the 1st few years. The idea was readily taken up, as it is now 14 years since the last International Philatelic Exhibition was held in Switzerland. A number of philatelists have already promised their coöperation and we trust this Exhibition will be really international in the widest meaning of the term.

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Yours very truly,

SEC. OF THE ORGANISATION COM."

The International Secretary further reports that he is in receipt of an invitation to our society to take part in the 19th anniversary of the "Verein für Briefmarken-Kunde, Kiel," Germany, which will be celebrated November 6, 1909.

The International Secretary has received and accepted an individual invitation to become a member of the "Committee of Honor" of the Berne International Postage Stamp Exhibition.

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BOSTON, MASS., Jan. 1, 1910.

The 217th (informal) meeting of the society will be held at the Club Room on Tuesday evening, January 4th, at 7.30 o'clock.

Come and start the New Year right! Bring a friend along and see that he wants to be "one of us." Make him feel that he wants to part with a year's dues so as to come every time and participate. (By the way, have *you* paid up for 1909? There's but little of it left and the Treasurer is looking around!)

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NEW YORK, Dec. 16, 1909.

Meeting was called to order at 8.30 p. m. with 31 members present. Application for membership: Richard A. Kampf, 200 Rodney St., Brooklyn; proposed by Lehman, seconded by Ducoux. New member: Dr. Godfrey S. Salomon, 65 W. 45 St. The resignation of Mr. Max Adolf was accepted with sincere regrets. Members Nos. 41, 71, 78, 86, 88, 96, 101, 111, 113, 126, 147, were dropped for non-payment of dues. The exhibition of San Marino was magnificent, the first being awarded to Mr. Chas. Jancovich with nobody a very close second. The next country to be exhibited will be Cuba on Feb. 17, 1910. Attention is called to the section in the new constitution which states that dues are payable *yearly* in advance. Installation of officers at the next meeting Jan. 6, 1910.

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The regular monthly meeting of The New England Philatelic Association will be held at the Crawford House, Boston, Mass., on the evening of January 11, 1910, at 7 o'clock. This being the 15th Anniversary of the founding of the association, a banquet will be held in Room 20. Special pains have been taken by the association to make this anniversary an event of unusual interest to the members present. Tickets to the banquet are $2.00, and all members who can are earnestly requested to be present and help us make our 15th Anniversary a red letter day in the annals of one of the oldest philatelic societies in America.

Kindly let the Secretary know of your intention to be present.

H. WESLEY LEGG, Pres.
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The regular monthly meeting of the New England Philatelic Association was held Tuesday evening, Dec. 14th, 1909, at 28 School St., Room 1, Boston, Mass. Meeting was called to order at 8 p. m. by the Pres., H. Wesley Legg. Minutes of the November meeting read and approved. Treasurer's report read and accepted, showing good balance on hand. Two names, viz., Mr. Percy M. G. Mann of Philadelphia, Pa., and Frank A. Dodge of Cambridge, Mass., proposed for membership. These by the Constitution lay over until the January meeting. The meeting then took a recess subject to the call of the chair and an informal talk on the 15th Anniversary of the association was held. It was decided to hold a banquet after the regular meeting at the Crawford House, Boston, Mass. Tickets to same were placed at $2.00, the actual cost of the banquet. Members present subscribed the sum of forty dollars to cover the cost of incidentals and invited guests, with more to hear from.

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I.—Stamps should be mounted in alphabetical order by countries, and in numerical order according to the catalogue.

II.—Scott's catalogue number and value, and also net selling price should be written under each stamp.

III.—All pricing to be done in ink.

IV.—It is suggested that all stamps circulated be in fine condition, except those cataloguing $1 and over. Attention should be called to every defect in brief remarks over the stamps, i. e., repaired, thin spot, tear, straight edge, cut close, etc.

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Herr, Guy H.	Perrin, Elmer
Guscott, W. H.	Peplow, F. J.
Camp, Wm. D.	Burnham, R. E.
Walden, Lemuel G.	Roulet, C. B.
Woodlands, Harold.	Smith, Edward E.
Corim, Marcello H.	Manoliadis, Nicolas.
Zollars, Lewis R.	Hyde, Edward A.
Webb, Wm. Carleton	MacDonell, F. C.
Wittenmeier, Fred W.	Ward, William.
Parke, Hervey C.	Taylor, Chas. O.

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Metz, H. F., 2029 N. 2nd St., Phila., Pa.; age 56; Merchant. References: L. Feigel & Son, 1013 Arch St.; Dunn or Bradstreet. Proposed by Jos. B. Feigel, No. 1752.

Turner, Maxwell W., Warren, R. I.; age 47; Bookkeeper. References: E. A. Cady, Warren Trust Co., B. B. Martin, Postmaster. Proposed by W. O. Wylie.

Lockie, Jay Jesse, Box 44, Riverside, Ill.; age 20; Bookkeeper. References: James W. Castle, Riverside, Ill., Chas. Osberg, Riverside, Ill. Proposed by E. C. Dodd, No. 1737. Guaranteed by C. A. Lundberg, 204 Dearborn St.

Ross, Reuben W., 25 W. 75th St., New York, N. Y.;age 49. Reference: Tate & Hays, 71 Broadway, New York City. Proposed by Fred G. Smith, No. 3231.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3682. Crowl, Homer C., Canton, Ohio.
3683. Foote, W. H., Cleveland, Ohio.
3684. Drury, Frank H., Wilmette, Ill.
3685. Dunham, James H., Scranton, Pa.
3686. Heim, Herman M., San Francisco, Cal.
3687. Stauffer, H. A., Butler, Pa.
3688. Babe, Alexander von, Chicago, Ill.
3689. Sander, Gustav A., Cleveland, O.
3690. Becker, Edgar N., Stillwater, Okla.

REINSTATED.

2917. Kiefarber, A. B., Lancaster, Ohio.

RESIGNATIONS ACCEPTED.

2505. Millhouse, F., St. Louis, Mo.
1620. Seyferth, Herman G., Milwaukee, Wis.
2805. Poor, Edw. L., Milwaukee, Wis.

EXPELLED (By Order Board of Directors).

1879. Azpeitia, Frank P., Havana, Cuba.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

2707. Moore, Opha, from Portsmouth to 103 W. 4th Ave., Columbus, O.
1343. Martin, Eben S., from Plano, Ill., to 18 W. Long St., Columbus, Ohio.
3169. Martin, Mrs. E. S., from Plano, Ill., to 18 W. Long St., Columbus, Ohio.
3617. Hoffman, Rev. Paul F., from Atlantic City to 709 Park Ave., Baltimore, Md.
2988. Chamberlin, Lieut. F. V. S., from Ft. Assinniboine, Mont., to Ft. Missoula, Mont.
2499. Wood, George, from Chicago, Ill., to 1200 E. Nevada St., El Paso, Texas.
2719. Peters, John, Sr., from 942 to 1416 Barry Ave., Chicago, Ill.
2077. LaForce, Wm. F., from Litchfield, Ill., to 1629 Fourth St., New Orleans, La.
2907. Glover, R. H., from Philadelphia to 630 Vine St., Denver, Colo.
3599. Chavez, Mre E. H. de, from Los Angeles to Pedro Moreno 758 n.n Guadalajara Jalisco, Mexico.
40. Steves, Albert, from Box 854 to Drawer 1134, San Antonio, Texas.
2836. Fowler, Oscar W., from 573 to 501 Madison Ave., New York, N. Y.
1563. Simmons, Sam R., Jr., from Alexander Ave. to 340 E. 142nd St., New York, N. Y.
1707. Stone, Chas. H., from Sacramento St. to 79 Oxford St., Cambridge, Mass.
770. Makins, J. H., from Market St. to 1016 Broadway, Oakland, Cal.
93. Mekeel, I. A., from Greene St. to 231 W. 39th St., New York, N. Y.
1718. Horne, Wm. H., from Main St. to 45 Bowdin St., Springfield, Mass.
1732. Munroe, Robert C., from Mass. Ave. to 34 Woodlawn Place, Longmeadow, Mass.
2648. Staub, C., from 1730 to 632 Deming Place, Chicago, Ill.
1994. Leuders, August, from 500 to 1107 Ashland Boul, Chicago, Ill.
2423. Mason, Laurence B., from Palacio Foz to R. Nova da Trindade No. 9, Lisbon, Portugal.
477. Bowen, Chas. W., from Halsey St. to 86 Weybosset St., Providence, R. I.
184. Cosby, Colonel Spencer, from Stoneleigh, Ct., to 1752 Q St., Washington, D. C.
2281. Wenzel, Max, from Pittsburg to 912 Bay Ridge Ave., Brookline, Pa.

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Total,		1849
Resignations accepted,	3	
Expelled,	1	
Total,	—	4
Total membership Jan. 1, 1910,		1845

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H. S. ADAIR, Sec.

The following communication has been received by our International Secretary:

"In the name of the Organisation Committee of the International Philatelic Exhibition to be held at Berne in 1910, I beg to send you the following advice which I trust you will be kind enough to publish in your esteemed journal.

The Organisation Committee of the International Philatelic Exhibition to be held at Berne, in the autumn of 1910, in the halls of the new Casino is composed of the following gentlemen: A. de Reuterskiöld, Lausanne, President; J. Schieb, Berne, Vice-President; F. Füri, Berne, Secretary of the Exhibition; E. Zumstein, Berne, Treasurer; F. Arnold, Berne, Secretary of the Organisation Committee. All correspondence, etc., must be addressed to the Secretary. Neuengasse 39 (Von Werdt-Passage) Berne.

At the last Exhibition at Amsterdam it was suggested that it was time that

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Nicaragua, 40 diff. 1895-09, all postally used	2.74	.50
Surinam 2½gld (No. 43), scarce stamp	1.75	.68
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St. Christopher 1882, 4d mint, perfect	25.00	9.75
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FOREIGN NOTES AND NEWS.

By L. HARALD KJELLSTEDT.

King Oscar's Beard.—Ill. Briefm. Journal relates that recently the Royal opera at Stockholm presented for the first time the new play "Oscar I." The actor Ferrasi, who was given the title role, was ordered by the director of the opera to make up with a full beard. During one of the intermissions Ferrasi hunted up the director and remarked that Oscar I never wore such a beard.

"What kind of beard did he use then?"

"Moustache and goatee, like Napoleon III."

"Ah, go on! How do you know that for sure?"

"From my postage stamp collection."

A change had to be made, and at the second performance the public observed with astonishment that King Oscar had altered the style of his beard. To stamp collectors it is hardly necessary to point out that Mr. Ferrasi obtained his information by looking up the issue of Norway of 1856-57.

Germany's Recruits.—There is no country where greater attention has been given to the encouraging of stamp collecting, and the fostering of philatelic tendencies amongst the school boys than in Germany. At the last German national convention of philatelic societies at Carlsbad, Mr. Franz Balke, a well known pedagogist and writer, read an excellent paper entitled, "Philatelic training for youths." The author relates that in 1899 the *Revue Philatelique Francaise* addressed to a number of philatelists a few questions of which the first and most important read: What must be done, and what must be avoided in order that the collecting of postage stamps may be continued in its present flowering state?

There is as much reason for a serious consideration of that question today as there was ten years ago, and to us, who have given so little thought to the subject, it may be of interest to learn the views of a German teacher and educator. With "philatelic training for youths" the author means a systematic training of youngsters having the collecting instinct, so that they may become reasoning, order-loving and thinking postage stamp collectors. In his opinion there are two kinds of philatelic training for youths. One is a training from a strictly philatelic point of view. The other is a creation of interest in philately by its introduction in the school work and its treatment from a pedagogic point of view. The latter method is more preparatory, and suitable for school boys up to 14 years of age. The strictly philatelic training is more concerned with the modern knowledge of postage stamps, with skilled philatelists as teachers and boys of from 14 to 18 years as pupils.

During the last 4 years special stamp exhibitions for young collectors, with liberal prize awards, have been held at Mulhausen, Basel, Leipzig, Hamburg, Meerane, Augsburg, Erfurt, Regensburg, Munich, Hanover, Stuttgart and Cologne. Most of the exhibitions took place between November and January. The number of entries at the Munich exhibition was 80, at Leipzig 51 and at Hamburg 50. The age of the exhibitors varied from 10 to 18 years. Neatness in mounting and carefulness in arrangement carried most weight in the awarding of the prizes. The latter consisted of money, albums, catalogues, good stamps, nicely engraved diplomas, etc. At Leipzig, 200 marks were divided between nine prize winners. It should be mentioned that all these exhibitions have been arranged by the local philatelic societies and have been accompanied by series of lectures suited to the youthful audiences.

The philatelic societies of Erfurt and Mulhausen arranged philatelic lecture courses for boys with an attendance at the former place of 64 and at the latter of 40. The subjects treated upon included the principles of collecting, the treatment of the stamps, varieties and most renowned stamps of different countries, history in philately, geography in philately, etc. After the lectures the boys were invited to ask questions, and each session closed with a free distribution of stamps.

Enough has been gathered from this first part of Mr. Balke's paper, reprinted in the *Ill. Briefm. Journ.*, to indicate why there are more stamp collectors, more dealers and more philatelic societies in Germany than in any other

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Swiss Exhibition.—In our sister republic, Switzerland, the philatelic societies are already hustling in a united effort to make the forthcoming "International Postage Stamp Exhibition at Berne, 1910," a red letter day in Swiss philately. A very strong executive committee has been selected with the eminent philatelist, Baron A. de Reuterskiold as chairman and Mr. F. Fürias Secretary. It is easily understood that an undertaking of this kind is connected with considerable expense which justifies the committee in appealing to the philatelic world at large for the donation of prizes to be awarded at the coming exhibition. A donation of $40.00 will provide for a gold medal, $5.00 for a gilt silver medal, $3.60 for a silver medal, and $2.40 will cover the cost of a bronze medal. I am sure that amongst our leading dealers and collectors some may be found who will be generous enough to represent American philately by joining the distinguished list of donors. The exhibition authorities have shown their friendly feelings towards us by appointing the American Philatelic Society as well as its International Secretary members of the Committee of Honor. As no exhibition of international aspect has been held in Switzerland since the Geneva exhibition of 1896, the present undertaking has met with a good deal of interest all through Europe which has taken expression in liberal and encouraging assurances of coöperation. Our own country is too important a factor in the philatelic world to stand aloof on an occasion of international importance, and it is to be hoped that we will show our appreciation of this fact in a more substantial way than that of mere words. The postage issues of the United States should be represented at the exhibition by American collections. Why should we let British and other European collectors carry off the honors where our own country is concerned?

As the plans and details of the great exhibition are being further developed and worked out, they will be referred to in these notes with the hope that the matter may be given consideration by those who are in a position to worthily represent American philately abroad.

OUR BOOK REVIEW.

Stamp Collectors' Annual.—Published by Chas. Nissen & Co., 7 Southampton Row, London, W. C., Eng. Price 25c. We gladly welcome this the seventh Annual, and commend it to all our readers as a very useful publication. It is edited jointly by Percy C. Bishop and Charles Nissen, with the usual ability which marks the work done by these well-known philatelists.

In addition to the regular features "Philatelic Literary Index," "Review of the Year's Auction Sales," "The Story of the Year," and "Directory of Philatelic Societies and Exchange Clubs" we notice several contributions of more than passing interest. We refer to "The Compound Envelopes of Great Britain," "Forgeries of British Stamps," "The First Stamps of Liberia," "Recent Issues of Venezuela" and "The Stamps of the Crimea."

The Index prepared by Percy C. Bishop contains articles published by MEKEEL'S WEEKLY, *The Philatelic West, Stamp Journal, Metropolitan Philatelist,* and *Hobbyist,* as representing the American philatelic press. This index alone makes the publication worth the full amount charged for the same. The Annual is a book of over a hundred pages and is fully illustrated, containing a full page portrait of the late E. J. Nankivell as one of its features. Our readers will do well to add this publication to their philatelic libraries.

Year Book of the U. S. R. S.—We have received from the secretary, J. D. Bartlett, the third annual publication of our representative revenue society. It is a well printed and well edited book, containing the annual reports and the records of the Atlantic City convention in detail. The list of members as published shows a total membership of 142.

Lemaire's 20th Century Catalog.—Published by Th. Lemaire, 16 Avenue de l'Opera, Paris, France. Price 12c. The fifth edition of this work follows very closely in makeup after the previous editions, which have been reviewed in our columns. The current volume however is brought up to date, being fully and freely illustrated. The collectors of new issues of the past ten years will find this a very handy volume to possess.

Stamps and Postmarks of Uruguay.—Published from the office of the *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly,* 63 Chancery

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The book on United States stamps by Eustace B. Power, concerning which there has been no lack of preliminary announcements of a kind calculated to whet keen anticipation, has appeared; and we say that the result is one that justifies all expectation, even though it may have been of most ardent character. Mr. Power, who by intuition and training, is a stamp student of advanced class, early found that the stamps of the United States presented a most worthy field for the concentration of interest; and in the book are incorporated some particulars of individual research that loan an instructive cast of no mean order to the text, although Mr. Power avows that there is no originality in the work.

To us, the main distinction of the work lies in its great utility; it gives information of practical, working value. It tells what stamps are most susceptible to cleaning agents and so, usually selected to be "made anew." It speaks of other of the tricks of the unscrupulous, —the thinning of card board proofs and the perforating and gumming of them, as well as india paper proofs; of the erasure of "specimen"; of the pressing out of "grills" of the 1869 issue; and other malpractice. The cautionary signals hoisted by Mr. Power will be of almost inestimable value to the average reader of the book.

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EDITORIAL.

Beware—A reader sends a warning that we hasten to publish. He says that at this time of year, fumigation of homes is commonly resorted to either at the suggestion of the authorities in cases of sickness or for the same or other sanitary reasons by citizens generally. He says that especial care should be exercised under these conditions to remove stamps that are around loosely, as if they are not lying away from the heavy fumes of the chemicals, havoc will be played with the colors of the stamps. The affinity of sulphur for many colors is known and the fumigants are likely to emphasize this attachment. Caution would suggest that all stamps even those reposing in albums be removed from the zone of the penetrating fumes.

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Discouraging—From the English philatelic press we learn that the well-conceived plan of the petitioners appointed at the congress of the philatelic societies of Great Britain to the Postal Union authorities for the suppression of unnecessary stamps has received a discouraging check from the Hon. Sydney Buxton, postmaster-general of Great Britain. In the course of a letter to the committee the officer says: "The Postmaster-General desires me to say that as he reserves to himself the absolute right to decide whether any particular issue of postage stamps in this country is necessary for the public service, he could not well be a party to an international arrangement which would tend to limit his powers in this respect." The position of the postmaster-general is a consistent one and perhaps it does not surprise those experienced men who have undertaken their task so well. As intimated by the *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly*, it is probable that the postmaster-general did not wholly understand the circumstances; he was solicited to send the petition to Berne even though it may not have had his endorsement. It is generally found that the postal governors of a great country are quick to resent any fancied or real interference with what they regard as the broad public policy of the department. Our contemporary says meaningly: "A general election is impending and in February next it is not impossible that we may have at St. Martin's-le-Grand a Postmaster-General who is disposed to take a more sympathetic view of the movement initiated by the first Philatelic Congress in February last." Let statesmen be taught that there is a philatelic vote to be reckoned with!

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Suggested—Recently, H. W. Wolseley of Chicago, sold his nineteenth century collection at auction through J. C. Morgenthau & Company; the sale attracted no little attention and at our solicitation Mr. Wolseley has submitted a few particulars of the sale, supplementing them with remarks of general philatelic interest. Mr. Wolseley retains his twentieth century stamps which he collects in his careful characteristic manner. The amount realized for the Wolseley stamps was 52½% of catalogue value; and so, the owner thinks he may felicitate himself upon having had many years of pleasure from them at what proves to be merely a nominal annual expenditure. The condition exactions demanded by Mr. Wolseley were amply justified by the results; yet his condition standards were intelligently established and varied according to the average of the separate country. His Fijis and early New South Wales inspired sharp competition and high prices. His superb special collection of Straits Settlements vindicated the wisdom of extreme specialism. Mr. Wolseley pays a tribute to the stamp dealers; in every case where it was discovered years afterwards that they had sold a repaired stamp unwittingly as a perfect copy and accepted by him as such, the money was refunded. There was no disposition on the part of dealers to plead lapse of time or otherwise evade the responsibility. As indicating the care with which serious collectors proceed nowadays, Mr. Wolseley says that he noticed that rare imperforate stamps that are the same in design and otherwise as the comparatively common perforated stamps bring weak prices unless the margins of the imperforates are beyond cavil.

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Not Infallible—It looks as though too much dependence is not to be placed on postmark dates. We have had a two-cent Columbian called to our attention bearing a date early in 1892 or long before the stamps were distributed to the postoffices. A reader says that he has various interesting transpositions and mistakes in postmark dates. From London comes a story of how a fraudulent use of "post-office date stamps" to further a betting scheme was nipped in its infancy by a postal employee who pretended to acquiesce in the arrangement of the conspirators.

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Once Again—We are under the necessity of repeating the conditions under which the Penflip prize will be awarded, as an omission was made in the list of monetary units that enter so essentially into the great problem, as outlined last week. We repeat the list as given and make this addition to the question propounded by Louis G. Barrett: "What British colony, at present issuing postage stamps, expressed on some of its earlier issues, a monetary unit other than pounds, shillings, pence or divisional of a penny; rupees, annas, and pies; or dollars and cents; or centimos, pesetas, paras or piastres?" To the one who returns the best answer to the foregoing question, the renowned Parnassus Penflip has offered a prize. Penflip says: "The honorarium will be a British colonial stamp whose facial expression will not be less than five shillings."

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Be Watchful—The stimulated interest in stamps on the original covers has turned the attention of the faking crew to this collecting division as a field for their misapplied industry. The fraudulent productions do not take the form of counterfeit stamps on the envelope but of altered or manipulated stamps that are canceled or postmarked by imitation, and paraded as authentic examples. For instance, the notorious Wolle, affixed a proof of the 24-cent 1851, after "ageing" it, on the envelope, and postmarked the stamp. His type one, 1851 one-cent was the common type two with the scrolls added carefully in ink the color of the stamp, and in this case, the postmark on the original variety performed its part innocently enough, in the deception. In the newest crop of original covers to which attention has been called by a reader is a pair of proofs, three pence red Canada, 1852, that has been perforated and used on the envelope since they left the possession of a former owner, several years ago. In many instances the fraud in the case of original covers is one that concerns postmarks and cancellations; but occasionally, a forged stamp is placed on the envelope in the hope that the details such as markings on the envelope and the stamp will obscure the bad character of the stamp. It is the manipulated stamp that masquerades as genuine in the disguise of postmark and cancellation that the cover enthusiast must be cautious about.

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The Stamp Collection

of the late Leslie Carter, the Chicago banker, will be sold at auction in New York City early in February.

George R. Tuttle, who is cataloging the stamps for sale, reports the collection to be a general one of more than usual merit. It is especially strong in British colonies and some of the old German states, and has the United States department stamps nearly complete, except the high-value State. Many single countries are complete up to the latter part of the nineteenth century, which was when Mr. Carter's collecting ceased. Catalogues can be had from

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80c " " "	2.00	..
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$2.00 " " "	2.50	..
$3.00 " " "	3.00	..
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20c " "	1.00	2.50
30c " "	2.50	..
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31	2c vermilion.....	"	.25	"	..
32	5c blue	"	.50	"	..
33	6c green.....	"	.20	"	..
34a	18c dull rose.....	"	.17	"	.22
35	2c brown	"	.07	"	.09
37	1c blue	"	.03	"	.05
40	10c black	"	.42	"	..
41	15c red brown.....	"	.82	"	..
42	1c green.....	"	.03	"	.05
43	2c rose	"	.14	"	.17
44	10c red brown.....	"	.50	"	.62
52	2c violet.....	"	.03	"	.05
52b	5c black blue	"	.50	"	.65
53	1c purple.....	"	.07	"	.09
54	1c blue	"	.07	"	.09
55	1c green.....	"	.02	"	.03
56	2c brown	"	.10	"	.14
57	2c violet.....	"	.03	"	.04
58	5c black blue.....	"	.13	"	.17
61	10c "	"	.13	"	.17
62	12c "	"	.20	"	.25
64	25c violet.....	"	.50	"	.65
68	10c red brown.....	"	.14	"	.17
71	18c dull rose.....	"	.25	"	.30

All o. g., nice copies. Fair, not as well centered as fine.

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5c on 10c Em. green,	5c	5c on 30c gray blue,	5c
5c on 10c bistre,	5c	5c on 1c blue green,	3c
5c on 10c deep lilac,	5c	5c on 2c carmine,	3c
5c on 30c slate,	5c	5c on 60c flesh,	8c
5c on 30c blue green,	5c	5c on 60c or'ge br'n,	6c
5c on 60c deep br'n,	6c	5c on 60c deep br'n,	6c
5c on 60c pink(unc.),	10c	5c on 60c indigo,	6c
		20c on 30c lilac,	8c
"Habilitados" on Officials,		5c deep blue (130),	3c
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1 cent green		20 cent orange		Set
5 " lemon		30 " salmon		20c
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" " " 137, 1 " olive gray " " .25
" " " 138, 2 " carmine " " .45
" " " 171, 1 cent on 1 peso Habilitado and 1908, deep pink and black, used ..... .25
Quito, Ecuador 1909, Exposition, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10c .15
Ecuador, Quito issue, 1909, 5 cents on 50 verm. .10
Ecuador 1895 dated, 1, 2, 5, 10 and 5 sucres ... .50
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	10ch purple	.06
	15ch gray violet	.12
	20ch red	.18
1901	2ch blue	.03
1903	3ch orange, large, No. 34	.10
	1ch on 25p maroon	.03
	2ch on 25p "	.07
	3ch on 50p purple	.06
	3ch on 25p maroon	.50
1903	2re slate	.01
	1ch violet	.02
	2ch green	.03
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COMMUNICATION.

(We do not hold ourselves responsible for the views expressed by our readers. Our columns are always open for communications of general interest.—Ed.)

BOSTON, Jan. 1, 1910.

To the Editor:

In answer to your English correspondent in the WEEKLY of Jan. 1, 1910, I would say, without looking up the matter particularly, at this time, to see if the following explanation accounts for every possible case, that each one of the questions brought up, except the last one, can be accounted for as follows:

All sheets of stamps whether containing 200, 280, or 400 stamps to the full sheet, have two colored guide lines, one vertical, and one horizontal, dividing the sheet into four equal parts. Full sheets of 400 stamps are fed into the perforating and cutting machine which perforates the sheet in one direction and cuts it into halves at one operation, the colored line being the guide by which the operator controls the centering. Each half is then run thru a machine in the other direction, the same process being followed. With sheets of 200, the first process is the same as above; then the half sheet is run thru a machine which perforates all the spaces, the colored line serving as a guide simply for the center row of perforating pins, there being no knife on this machine. The guide line is in this case perforated.

I cannot account for the 10c stamp of the 1898 issue with guide line and perforations at the bottom, unless it is a stamp which originally had a straight-edge, which someone has since perforated, a thing which is done more or less, and I would suggest that your correspondent examine the stamp carefully to see if this is not the case.

In answer to another correspondent, I would say that the first three vertical rows of both the upper left and lower left panes of Plate 170 are Type II, the other seven rows of both these panes being Type III.

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—"Under date of Oct 24th, I have been advised by a correspondent in the New Hebrides that the new permanent issue of stamps was ordered some time ago and is expected daily. The following denominations of Fiji stamps overprinted New Hebrides Candominium are on sale at the Vila post office; viz.:

½, 1, 2, 2½, 5, 6d, 1s.

The French Caledonia stamps overprinted Nanvelles Hebrides are still used concurrently with the above."—BENEDICT PRIETH.

—A. W. Dunning, president of the M. P. S., sends us New Year's greetings from Gibraltar. The card pictures the Gibraltar gas works and Mr. Dunning expresses the hope that we will not take offense at the same.

—The Independent Stamp Co., Chicago, Ill., has purchased the stock of the Eagle Stamp Co. of that city.

—B. Schlesinger, 38 E. Houston St., N. Y. City, has an accumulation of back numbers of MEKEEL'S WEEKLY that he will be very pleased to send to anyone who can make use of the same. His preference in donating them would be to serve some philatelic society. His only condition is that the papers shall be sent at the expense of the recipient.

—"The demand for current Papuas is as brisk as ever, especially for the 12½ perforation. The rumor of a new issue is largely responsible for this state of affairs. Somehow many collectors do not pay much attention to current issues until it is reported that a new issue is about to be brought out, when a mad scramble ensues. There is no news as yet about the 2sh 6d current design. As soon as it is issued, it will probably be superseded by the new issue, and then look out for stiff prices."—BENEDICT PRIETH.

The Paul Collection.

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Some of the Rare Stamps in the Collection.

British West Indies

British Honduas, 5c on 1s gray, unused
" 2c on 20c yellow, used
Dominica, 1d on 6d green, used
Grenada No. 14, unsevered pair, unused
" " 15, " " "
" " 33, 4d on 2s (pair) "
Nevis, 4d bluish p., "
" 1s yellow green, "
" 1s " laid p. used

Nevis, 4d lithograph, entire sheet, unused
" 6d " " "
Reconstructed sheets of many early issues
St. Christopher No. 19a, 1d on ½, surch. inverted
" No. 19d, without line through value
" " 21, 1d on 2½d, small letters
St. Helena, 6d red, without surcharge
St. Lucia 1860, 4d deep blue, block of four, unused
" " 6d green " " "
" 1892, ½ on 3d, type 1, " " "

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Soudan	1898, 10pi black & violet (Camel) rare stamp	.75	.37
Iceland	1902, 4, 5, 10, 20a	.22	.10
	1907, 1, 3,4,5,10,15,20,25a	.45	.22
"	1902 Off. 5, 10, 16, 20, 50a	.77	.38
	1906 Off. 10, 15, 20a	.23	.11
Malay States 1901,1c gr'n & black*		.25	.07
Siam 1 on 64*, No. 34		.50	.17
Canada	1882, 6c * fine	.45	.18
	1892, 50c blue	.30	.09
"	1897, 10c violet*	.40	.25
	1897, 15c blue*	.50	.32
"	1897, 20c red*	.75	.40
	1902, 7c Queen	.08	.03
"	1897, $2.00 Jubilee fine copies	1.50	.68
"	1903, 20c green, King	.08	.03
	" 50c violet, "	.15	.10
"	1908, 7c olive	..	.08
	" 15c orange	.35	.17
Newfoundland	1866, 24c blue*	1.00	.49
	1876, 3c blue	.50	.18
"	1880, 5c blue*	1.00	.39
	1896, 2c green*	.25	.09
"	1896, 3c blue*	1.50	.45
	1896, 1c brown*	.18	.08
Germany	1900, 3 marks	.70	.27
	1905, 5 marks	.30	.12

Space will not permit of other offers. Send for large 12-page bargain list No. 21 for Dec. and get your name on our mailing list.

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U. S. SPECIALS

Scott's 2966, inverted, cat. $5.00, for	$2.00
1909, 13c mint, recalled, 15c; plates double.	
2c Lincolns, bluish paper, mint	.10
2c Jamestowns, mint, sheet of 100	3.00
5c Jamestowns, " " "	7.75
2c 1902, Schermack perf., strip of 4, mint	.22

Blank approvals, onion skin, $1.45 a 1000; 17c a 100.
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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES.

Edited by HENRY A. KIDDER.

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UNITED STATES.—Cecil W. King reports having a current 1c precancel of Boston, Mass., which has the first "O" in Boston broken, so that it forms a "U", the word reading "Buston".

E. W. Murray sends us the following new precancels:

Youngstown, Ohio, 1c 1908; reading down.
Union Stock Yards, East St. Louis, Ill., 4c 1908; reading down.

The latter was used by a firm in East St. Louis, and mailed at the Stock Yards Station. Both stamps were precancelled by a rubber stamp, applied diagonally.

Mr. Murray has also sent us two cotton bale crosstags of the series G and D. These seals were buried at Duval's Bluff by the Federals to prevent them falling into the hands of the Confederates, at the time the Federals evacuated the Bluff to reinforce the Federal army at Helena, Ark. The seals remained buried up to last summer, when some boys digging worms for fish bait dug them up. Some of the dirt is still on one of them. They are quite interesting.

G. W. Swinburne, Jr., reports having a copy of the present 2c envelope on amber manila paper.

F. E. Flick submits a 2c stamp of the current series, which has a mark, almost important enough to be called a secret mark. It appears on all the stamps in the four last rows of Plate No. 5119, though which quarter of the full sheet Mr. Flick does not say. In the colorless oval ring surrounding Washington's head is a colored dot, exactly opposite the point of the nose. It does not appear on other plate numbers.

Robert J. Wagner sends a 1c Permit from Cleveland, Ohio, which has an additional 1c Permit printed with a rubber stamp, making the total amount of the postage 2c. The original permit was in an upright oblong, while that printed from the rubber stamp was a horizontal oblong.

Mr. Wagner suggests that it is not unusual for the Postage Due stamps to be cancelled in sheets before using, thus saving the labor of cancelling each individual stamp.

Mr. Wagner also says: "The improvement in perforating the current stamps is most marked. As I sell stamps over the counter, I notice that a poorly perforated sheet now is more uncommon than a well perforated one was before. The Department was frequently criticized a short time ago for poor perforating, but so far I have seen no favorable comment on the improvement."

AFGHANISTAN.—Five new stamps are reported from this country, the three higher values being of large size and supposed to be for parcels post stamps. The meaning of the word "Urusun" is not clear, though it is supposed to mean in the vernacular, the singular form of "rupie." The designs of all the stamps is considerably modified from the previous issue, the principal difference being a rayed circle surrounding the mosque and flags. The stamps are perforated 13¾.

Adhesives.

1 abasi blue.
2ab green.
3ch brown.
1 urusun dark brown.
2r orange red.

ARGENTINE.—The *Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* reports the issue of the last value in the current set.

Adhesive.

24c red brown.

The *Bulletin Philatelique* reports that the Argentine Government is considering a proposition to make the franc the monetary unit in the currency of the country.

L'Annonce Timbrologique says that the official stamps have been suppressed and replaced by official envelopes, which can be only used by the government departments.

BERMUDA.—The Frank P. Brown Co. has shown us the 4d Bermuda on multiple paper.

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FRENCH OFFICES IN CHINA.—*Tchongking.*—The two stamps of high value that were missing in the last set surcharged on the stamps of Indo-China have at last come to hand, and have been shown us by the New England Stamp Co. Both are surcharged in red, and have "Tchongking" at the bottom and Chinese characters at the top.

Adhesives.

2fr green and black; red surcharge.
10fr purple and black; red surcharge.

GREAT BRITAIN.—*Offices in the Levant.*—Several new stamps have appeared, with the surcharge in Turkish money without the word "Levant."

Adhesives.

30pa on 1½d violet and green.
1pi 10pa on 3d violet on yellow
2pi 20pa on 6d violet.
5pi on 1sh carmine and green.

JAMAICA.—Hermann Focke and I. A. Galbraith have shown us a new 6d stamp from this Colony, the design being the same as before but the color has been changed again and the paper is multiple CA. Mr. Focke says this new stamp was issued Dec. 10.

Adhesive.

6d lilac.

NETHERLANDS.—Mr. Schachne reports the current card in new design. It is like the last except that no portion of the face is reserved for correspondence and the dotted lines extend across.

Post Card.

5c carmine on pale buff.

NEW ZEALAND.—The Frank P. Brown Co. has also shown us the new "Dominion of New England" set. In addition to the values mentioned last week, we find that there should have been included a 2½d.

Adhesive.

2½d deep blue.

The *Wellington* (N. Z.) *Standard* says that the 2½d stamp was to be the familiar Lake Wakatipu design, so there appears to be some doubt as to the actual fact.

Hermann Focke has shown us a curiosity in the shape of an envelope which has a precancellation of "New Zealand ½d Postage Paid." This appears in a circle with a number indicating the post office where the envelopes were issued. These covers were produced by a "½d in the slot" machine, and should have a philatelic value, as well as any other stamped envelope.

SALVADOR.—H. Wesley Legg sends us specimens of the current 1c stamp, with and without watermark, and surcharged, "1821—15 Septiembre—1909."

SWITZERLAND.—Mr. Schachne has shown us two cards which commemorate the start of the U. P. U. The 5c has three headlines on the right hand half—"Carte Postale" in three languages—and the left half is occupied by a seated female, representing the memorial monument. The reverse has a wide border on three sides with an inscription in the upper one. The 10c has another view of the same monument on the reverse. Half face style with four headlines.

Post Cards.

5c dark-green on buff; 140x90 mm.
10c red on pale buff; 140x90 mm.

TURKEY.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the high values of the current set, with the signature of the new Sultan.

Adhesives.

10pi dull red.
25pi gray green.
50pi red brown.

N. E. P. A. CELEBRATION.

The 15th anniversary of the New England Philatelic Association will be held at the Crawford House, Boston, Tuesday, January 11, and special pains have been taken to make this an event of rare interest. Invitations have been sent to many of the sister organizations to send representatives, and those attending may be assured that this event will, in the language of the invitation, be "a red-letter day in the annals of one of the oldest philatelic societies in America."

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Office of the President.
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This is to advise that having resumed the duties of my office, all communications pertaining thereto should now be addressed accordingly.

H. N. MUDGE, Pres.

REPORT OF SECRETARY FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY 8TH, 1910.

APPLICATIONS PENDING.

Camp, Wm. D.	Burnham, R. E.
Walden, Lemuel G.	Roulet, C. C.
Woodlands, Harold.	Smith, Edward E.
Corim, Marcello H.	Manoliadis, Nicolas.
Zollars, Lewis R.	Hyde, Edward A.
Webb, Wm. Carleton	MacDonnell, F. C.
Wittenmaier, Fred W.	Ward, Wm.
Parke, Hervey C.	Taylor, Chas. O.
Nelson, J. S.	Metz, H. F.
Walliser, Carl.	Turner, Mazwell W.
Brayton, Frank D.	Lockie, Jay J.
Perrin, Elmer	Ross, Reuben W.
Peplow, F. J.	

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

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Cherry, Rev. C. Waldo, 2nd Presb. Church, Troy, N. Y.; age legal; Clergyman. Reference: The Troy Trust Co. Proposed by John G. Hawley, No. 3194.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3691. Buffalo Collectors Club, Branch No. 37.
3692. Parker, Clyde B., Detroit, Mich.
3693. Wadw, Chas. M., Palo Alta, Cal.
3694. Aich, Hermann, Cologne,Germany.
3695. Herr, Guy H., Philadelphia, Pa.
3696. Guscott, W. H., Cleveland, Ohio.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

1537. Partello, J. M. T., from Plattsburg Barracks to Ft. Geo. Wright, Spokane, Wash.
1214. Nelson, Robert Sidney, from Biloxi, Miss., to 2210 Highland Ave., Birmingham, Ala.
622. Hill, Isaac, from Siasconset to Nantucket.
2007. Speakman, Howland, from 1665 3107 N. Clark St., Chicago, Ill.
898. Crocker, Henry J., from California St. to 354 Pine St., San Francisco, Cal.
1778. Weeks, Geo. D., from Herkimer St. to 946 St. Marks Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.
2018. Eichhorn, F. A., from 1588 to 3107 N. Clark St., Chicago, Illl.
2283. Ernst, Henry, from San Antonio to Gonzales, Texas.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY.

Total membership Jan. 1, 1910,	1845
New stockholders,	6
Total membership Jan. 8, 1910,	1851

Santa Claus week seems to have affected the working power of the members. We trust it was not too much turkey, but rather the overpowering desire to put all the stamps away in the album that good old St. Nicolas must have brought to every member. Well, that week is past and now we expect new members to pour in upon us as of yore. Step right up to the counter, we can wait upon all of you at once. Let's get them in and keep them coming. What say you?

H. S. ADAIR, Sec.

The Boston Philatelic Society.

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Meetings first (informal) and third (regular) Tuesdays at Club Room 506 Kast Bdg., 7.30 P. M.

BOSTON, MASS., Dec. 21, 1909.

The 216th (regular) meeting of the society was held at the club room this evening, being called to order at 8 o'clock by Pres. Green; 35 members and friends were present.

The resignations of Nos. 6, 383, 481, and 487 were read and accepted with regret.

The following applications were posted:

THOMAS TODD, JR., Concord, Mass.; proposed by James C. Woolley.
OSCAR B. MCELHINEY, Winchester, Mass.
H. B. SEAGRAVE, Cambridge, Mass.
Both proposed by Wm. L. Aldrich.
J. HARPER BLAISDELL, Winchester, Mass.; proposed by R. Williams.

The amendment to the statutes, proposed by Mr. Burns, was withdrawn by the proposer. Mr. Risdon offered the following amendment, to be acted upon at the January meeting:

To amend Art. XIII, Sec. 1, by inserting in the third line "one dollar" in place of "two dollars," so that the subscription for non-resident members shall be one dollar per year.

The President appointed the following committees:

Auditing: Messrs. Burns and Sawyer.
Entertainment (Formal) for 1910: Messrs. Woolley, Sawyer, Hutchins and Snow.
Entertainment (Informal) for 1910: Messrs. Risdon, Ingraham and Wolff.

Mr. Woolley presented a preliminary report for the Entertainment Com., recommending the appointment of a permanent Board of Judges for the competitions of the year; also that the Annual Jollification be held at some hotel, taking the form of a dinner at say $1 per plate, with entertainment later to which those not attending the dinner would be welcome. The latter proposition was met by a suggestion to appropriate the maximum sum previously voted, and hold the Jollification in the club room with a buffet lunch. The President stated that it was not advisable to draw on the treasury for such an amount. After much discussion it was voted to have a collation served in the club room under the direction of the committee, and Mr. Batchelder agreed to raise $25 for contingencies. The proposition concerning permanent judges was left to the Entertainment Committee.

Mr. Wylie announced that the House Com. had furnished a new bulletin board.

Mr. Nevin read the following:

Report of Library Committee for December.

There has been added to the Library by purchase: British New Guinea, by F. J. Melville, Philatelic Record, Vols. III-XIII inclusive, Senf's Catalog of Entires for 1910. By donation: Drew's 204-7-8-9 Sales Catalogs priced from A. P. Brown; Scott Stamp & Coin Co.'s 165th Sale from New England Stamp Co.; Yvert & Tellier's Catalog for 1908 from C. A. Howes; Hawaiian Numerals by Henry J. Crocker, from the author. Also the current numbers of the following magazines, generously contributed by the publishers: Gibbons' Weekly, Mekeel's Weekly, The Stamp Journal, Scott Stamp & Coin Co. Circular, Berliner Briefmarken-Zeitung, Collectors' Journal, Hartford Philatelist, Carter's Messenger, The Postage Stamp, Redfield's Weekly, The Attleboro Philatelist and the Philatelic Journal of Great Britain.

A card catalog of the membership of the society has been placed in the box on the side of the bookcase by the committee.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES K. B. NEVIN,
C. A. HOWES,
Library Com.

Nominations for officers for 1910 being in order, the following names were presented: *President,* W. O. Wylie, C. K. B. Nevin; *Vice President,* Frederick S. Cook; *Secretary,* C. A. Howes; *Int'l Secretary,* J. M. Bartels; *Treasurer,* J. B. B. Smith; *Supt. Sales,* Peter C. Kimball; *Supt. Auctions,* J. H. Lyons; *Supt. Bourse,* I. W. Risdon; *Governing Board,* Jas. C. Woolley, R. S. Burns, W. O. Wylie, C. K. B. Nevin, L. L. Green, Chas. R. Lewis; *Library Com.,* C. K. B. Nevin, C. A. Howes.

Mr. Wylie moved the appointment of a committee to produce a handbook of some kind. Passed, and the President appointed Messrs. Wylie, Howes and Nevin. Mr. Burns moved the appointment of a committee to consider how best to get new members. Passed, and the Chair appointed Messrs. Batchelder Burns and Woolley.

The Entertainment Com. took from the Question Box the following: "Is a postage due stamp a postage stamp?" The question produced a lively debate, resulting in a vote in the affirmative, only four voting no. "What is the highest value on a stamp expressed in pence?" was quickly answered as the eighteen-pence of Victoria, 1889. "Why don't the large dealers get more members for the B. P. S.?" resulted in making a pretty favorable showing for the "large dealers" along this line.

The exhibition for the evening consisted of the specialized collections of Sweden and Norway, belonging to State Senator E. R. Ackerman of New Jersey. It isn't so often that we have an opportunity of seeing specialized collections of countries that are not British Colonies, particularly the smaller countries, so that the showing was especially entertaining on this account. The Norway collection received a bronze medal at the London exhibition of 1906. Both collections were thoroughly examined by those present and received much favorable comment. The famous 20—Tretio error of Sweden was one of the first things each looked for,—and he was not disappointed. It is doubtless true that many have since looked up the Sweden and Norway pages of their albums with much more interest. A vote of thanks was passed to Senator Ackerman for his courtesy.

The meeting adjourned at 10.30 p. m.

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(Our readers will be greatly interested in the following information gleaned by Mr. Morris from the Bureau of Engraving records. We acknowledge the service rendered as very valuable to students of U. S. issues.—Ed.)

I have obtained the following answers to the questions asked editorially in the Jan. 1 issue. I got them from the records at the Bureau of Engraving through a special courtesy extended to me by the Director, so I think you can assure your readers that the answers are absolutely correct and not mere guess work or belief through having parts of sheets.

Par. 1, Q. (a) Answer. No. None of the plates made prior to Dec. 4, 1895, contained any lines, the guides for the operators of the perforating machines being indicated on the margins by tridents.

Q. (b) Answer. Yes, the first four plates of the three cent, four cent and five cent were made with four hundred on the plates but, as stated above, bore no guide lines. Further than that I might say that the last four plates made of the 10 cent prior to the "Series of 1902" were printed 200 to the plate and are the only ten cent stamps ever printed that way.

Par. 2, Q. (a) Answer. Yes.

Q. (b) Answer. There was no line at the top or bottom of any of the plates. The line in question was a horizontal guide line dividing the panes of 100 into two parts but was used only as a guide line and was perforated instead of being cut. This guide line can be seen at the present time in the panes of 100 stamps of the higher denominations.

Q. (c) Answer. Same as (b).

Q. (d) Answer. Yes.

The answer to the last question in regard to the 10 cent 1898 issue will be found in the answer to question (b) Par. 1. The printing of the four plates with two hundred impressions instead of 400.

I append a list of the plate numbers concerned in these printings.

One Cent:
All plates, 400 stamps and printed on power presses.

Two Cent:
All plates, 400 stamps and printed on power presses.

Three Cent:
Plates 44, 46, 47 and 48 prepared in August, 1894, had 400 stamps each.
Plates 91, 95, 103 and 107 prepared in December, 1894, had 200 stamps each.
And all subsequent plates had but 200 each. Always used on power presses.

Four Cent:
Plates 45, 50, 51 and 59 prepared in August, 1894, had 400 stamps each; plates 92, 94, 104 and 106, prepared in December, 1894, had 200 stamps each and all subsequent plates had but 200 each. Used on power presses.

Five Cent:
Plates 49, 53, 54 and 56, August, 1894, had 400 stamps each; plates 128, 129, 130 and 134, had 200 stamps and all subsequent plates had 200. Used on power presses.

Six Cent:
All plates were prepared with 200 on each and only one plate at a time. These were all printed on hand presses.

Eight Cent:
All plates were prepared with 200 on each. Plate 58 (February, 1895) and 249 (September, 1896) were used on hand presses. In September, 1899, four plates were prepared, Nos. 928, 929, 930 and 931, for use on power presses.

Ten Cent:
All plates up to and including No. 999 (April, 1900) were prepared with 400 subjects. The last four plates prepared prior to the "Series of 1902" were Nos. 1336-7-8-9 (January, 1902) and had 200 to the plate. These are the only 10c plates made with 200 impressions on.

All other denominations above the 10c were prepared with 200 impressions and were made one at a time for hand press work.

In regard to Plate 170 I have learned all that it is possible, I think, for anyone to learn. I was shown the first impression from this plate which is kept as a record at the Bureau and I find

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I have learned further that this entire plate was made from the same die but with two transfer rolls. The records as to the three dies are as follows: The die bearing what we know as Type I triangle is officially known at the Bureau as Die 35 and was transferred to the Bureau by the American Bank Note Co. and the Triangles cut in. The die bearing Type II triangle was made in Dec. 1894 and is recorded as Die 79. It was from this die that Plate 170 was made. The engraver who made this plate is now dead but he is said to have been a rather erratic man and would do things not directed nor sanctioned and while no one knows absolutely, it is presumed that he took the lines out on the transfer roll and made a Type III triangle of it. Those in charge of the engraving room hold that this is the only explanation of the two different triangles on plate 170 as it was prepared for use in Sept. 1895 and the die bearing the regular Triangle III was not made until July, 1897 and it is known as Die 83. It is also certain that Die 79 was not changed by the engraver as it still bears the Triangle II. As the engraver who made the plate is dead, the Director of the Bureau at that time is also dead and none of the employees in the engraving room can remember anything about it we will have to accept the records of the Bureau for it that all the stamps on that plate were made from the same die.

ACKNOWLEDGED WITH THANKS.

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Star Coin Book.—Published by B. Max Mehl, Fort Worth, Texas. "An elaborate encyclopedia" of rare American and foreign coins, giving the dates of all rare U. S. and foreign coins, paper money, etc. Mr. Mehl has placed upon the market a coin book of great value to the general public. Prices are quoted showing what is paid for the coins listed, but scattered through the book is a vast amount of interesting information.

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The "Query" column of many a paper devotes considerable attention to coin values and this book with quotations for copper half-cents, nickel, silver and gold pieces will prove a veritable mine of information.

Several pages are devoted to the "necessity money of the United States" and this section of the coin book alone would make the book of more than ordinary interest and value to the philatelist.

We take great pleasure in recommending it and feel that in this review we are doing scant justice to its many praise-worthy features. It consists of 132 large pages, printed on heavy calendared stock, and the price, 50c, will place it within the reach of everybody. We feel that we are doing the proper thing in strongly recommending the addition of this coin book to the library of every philatelist.

THE STAMP MARKET.

By Senax.

Christmas brings an interlude in stamp transactions which may not be unwelcome. At the moment of writing trade has decreased to almost vanishing point, and may not be expected to revive till January. Such intervals can be turned to good account in the leisurely study of the wide field of stamp prices (a task that absorbs a good deal of time), in the arranging of one's stock or in the conception of new plans of action.

A price list comes to hand with "Merry Xmas" overprinted on the cover, a surcharge that shows kind forethought on the part of the author, and induces to a more than ordinary scrutiny of a list so courteously presented.

An American writer thinks that the "perfection craze" is dying out, and points out that one of the rarest stamps ever sold by auction was a damaged copy. I keep a stock book especially for the reception of damaged stamps, and it is noticeable that it is usually in an empty and stripped condition. Where a fine copy is worth 6d, a specimen with an imperceptible tear will readily fetch 2d or 3d, and sometimes a purchaser may be found for them wholesale at a few shillings per hundred. However, one's best faith is still in the fine copy.

In the case of stamps whose prices are falling, it should be wisest to stock only a limited quantity at a time. Any plunge into large purchases should be safeguarded by the total absence of any possibility of a fall.

It has been said that one way to wealth is to "buy cheap and sell dear." Perhaps it is quite as good a method to buy cheap and sell cheap, thus selling quickly, and freeing one's capital for other uses.

The 3d and 6d Gold Coast, 1909, are on the market in dozens, to retail at about 4d each. The 6d bi-coloured of 1905 is dearer.

Of Brazil Officials, 1906, the 100 and 200 reis, as might perhaps be expected, promise to become the easiest to gather in quantity.

New Zealand Officials ought to be worth their full quoted price, unless the customer will take ragged copies. In each bundle the percentage of unsaleable specimens is not a small one.

It is stated that the 50c and 1 dollar values of U. S. A., 1902, have risen considerably in price in the States.—*Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly.*

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—"If I should be asked to point out the difference between the 1 cent U. S. envelope of the Reay and the Plimpton printings, besides the descriptions given in the Standard Catalogue, I would unhesitatingly say that in the Plimpton printing the ovals containing the figures are nearly 1 mm. longer than in the Reay, and the lower parts of the figures turn up more. These two points are quite noticeable."—S. M. Edwards.

—P. J. Kranz sends us no less than twenty stamp clippings from old papers. We are grateful for the courtesy extended, but there seems to be none that are useful for reprinting.

—*Errata.*—Adv. of Hussman Co. on page 12 on Nyassa offer the asterisk should have been omitted. The set is used and cheap at the price offered. Page 14, Stamp Mart advertisement, the stamp offered "Not initialed" should have been the $1.00 value.

—J. B. Robertson favors us with the following clipping from the *N. Y. Commercial:*—

"Philatelists are so thick on the Consolidated Exchange that they have resolved to form a club to meet after exchange hours. Among the moving spirits are S. W. Curtis, D. S. Wiley, K. M. Eyland, Walter Chisholm and Waldemar Wurz, the statistician of the exchange. Several of the members have fine collections of stamps, that of Mr. Chisholm enjoying widespread fame. In spite of his retiring nature and innate modesty, it is expected that the presidency of the club will be pressed upon Mr. Wurz, as his name will be placed in nomination by Mr. Curtis, one of the governors of the exchange."

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EDITORIAL.

A Few Hints—The Penflip Prize attracts a degree of attention such as to surprise us. When we suggested to the donor of the prize that this intense interest is occasioned by the fact that he is a patron of the competition, he smiled inscrutably. In regard to developments in this contest, Parnassus Penflip authorizes us to speak as follows: "Promulgate this pronunciamento to the philatelic population in the praenomen of Parnassus Penflip. One of the stipulations in the regulations of the contest is that the British colony in question still issues stamps. Uganda, for instance, as a national individuality, no longer does. Last week, Cyprus and Gibraltar were eliminated by interdicting centimos, pesetas, paras and piastres, monetary terms inadvertently omitted from the original list of exceptions. Further, the expression 'some of the older issues' leads inferentially to the thought that the colony must have been issuing stamps for a long time else it would have no elderly issues. Verb. Sap."

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Ideas for Cover—The suggestions for designs for the cover of our one thousandth number have come in such quantity and quality to disprove to us the captious criticism sometimes heard that there is no art in America. It is just possible that all the art here is monopolized by our readers who are as modest as they are gifted; and how would the distinguished critics come in contact with our subscribers unless they advertised in our columns? Our rates are quoted at the head of the column. We blush, now, that our prizes are so pitifully small, five, three and two dollars, respectively; and it pains us to realize that it is now too late to change them into as many hundreds of dollars. As it is, the winners will accept the prizes deprecatingly, as it is understood that they pursue art for art's sake, alone.

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Near Stamps—Edwin B. Hill, Granite Reef, Mesa, Arizona, has become interested in the private express stamps that were used by the companies in rating the payment of newspaper carriage. He has the 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10 and 25 cents, American Express Co. stamps, and he understands that this series of labels, or the method of prepayment by such stamps is obsolete. Is he correct? We know of no article on the subject of these stamps, although it is not unlikely that one or more has appeared in view of the curiosity often expressed by collectors who seem to give them at least passing attention, occasionally. The use of these stamps extended to a comparatively recent period, even though they may no longer be employed.

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Settled Once More—Sumner Gary, Akron, Ohio, is in a position to settle the question of the plate position of triangle II in relation to triangle III, on plate 170, issue of 1895. He has had the kindness to submit the following correspondence on the subject, accompanying it with the following remarks: "In regard to plate No. 170 discussed in your editorial column of January 1, 1910, I am enclosing a little ancient correspondence on the subject. I still have the two lower quarter sheets in my collection. I do not recall having seen any article from Mr. Luff giving further information in regard to this plate." Under the date of February 17th, 1896, Mr. Gary wrote John N. Luff as follows: "Your article in the *American Journal of Philately* for February entitled 'A Combination Lot.' You say the upper left quarter sheet of plate 170 only, bears triangles II and III. I beg to advise you that I have two entire sheets (100 each) of that plate, but from the lower left quarter, bearing the two styles of triangles as described in your article." Mr. Luff on February 25th wrote to Mr. Gary in these words: "Thanks for the information regarding Plate 170; I had already learned of my error in saying that the two varieties occurred on one-quarter of the sheet and now know that they occurred on both left hand quarters." Thus, again, after a lapse of many years, is the scheme of arrangement on plate 170 of the two varieties of triangle, absolutely fixed.

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Cuban News—An interesting budget of news has been forwarded from Cuba. On November 18th, President Gomez received a petition from the Board of Trade of the Province of Oriente, praying that American money be made the standard of currency throughout the republic "until such time as Cuba is in a position to establish an American currency." The following day a bill was introduced into the Cuban senate to provide for the adoption of a national currency on the gold basis and similar to that in the United States, the unit to be the gold dollar or peso. There will be gold coin and the subsidiary currency is to be of silver, nickel and copper, according to the bill, of the same denomination, value and fineness as those of the United States. A shipment of 17,000,000 stamps from the American Bank Note Company will be used to rate a revenue stamp tax on matches.

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Cuban Telegraph Stamps—While the telegraph in Cuba is a government monopoly, yet there has been no issue of distinctive stamps for the use of this branch of the government service, up to the present time. However, a set of stamps purely for telegraphic use is in preparation and some particulars of this companion set of the prospective portrait set of postage stamps are now available. The one-cent will picture General Bernabe in violet; the two-cent, General Jose Lacret, light olive. The likeness of General Flor Crombet will appear in dark olive on the three-cent while the four-cent will show General Oscar Rinelles in orange yellow. The twenty-cent red will present General Jose Maria Aguirre and the fifty-cent will depict Narciso Lopez in black; Lopez was "the Venezuela patriot who was shot by the Spaniards when he came with Crittenden to lead the first attempt against Spanish domination in Cuba." The watermark, "R. C." will be used. Latterly, the ordinary Cuban stamps have been used for telegraph payment but during the first intervention cash only was accepted in payment for telegraph messages.

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Chicago in 1911—Chicago now boldly steps to the center of the stage and publicly proclaims its wish to entertain the convention of the American Philatelic Society in 1911. Action has been taken formally by the Chicago Philatelic Society and it has been voted unanimously that an invitation be extended to the next convention at Detroit to select Chicago as the seat of the next year's annual conclave. It is safe to say that the Chicago Branch of the American Philatelic Society will endorse with the utmost enthusiasm the action so very properly taken first, by the local society. It has been many a year since Chicago has been the convention city; it was in 1893 since the last annual meeting was held in that city. Chicago is in earnest and it enters the race for convention preferment with determination to succeed in its object.

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Welcome Home—Henry N. Mudge, president of the American Philatelic Society, has returned to Chicago, after an extended trip through Central America. His long journey while not always unattended with inconvenience, as may be imagined, was an enlightening and an enjoyable one; and it will long furnish a fruitful theme for reminiscence. It is well that Mr. Mudge returned home fortified in health and spirits, else he would quail at the mass of correspondence that accumulated during his absence.

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6c	"	"	"	.35	"	..
40c	"	brown	"	.25	"	.35
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70c	"	green	"	.24	"	.30
$1.00	"	"	"	.02	"	.03
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161	"	5c on 30c blue gray.....	.05
162	"	5c on 30c yellow.....	.10
128	"	5c on 60c deep brown.....	.06
129	"	5c on 60c rose brown (flesh).....	.10
	"	5c on 60c orange brown.....	.08
164	"	5c on 60c ultramarine	.06

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35	2p	" "	7.50	4.75
35	2p	" "	7.50	5.50
38	3p	green, "	15.00	8.75
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OUR ENGLISH LETTER.

By W. WARD, 65 Bamford Rd., Didsbury, Eng.

New Year in England will be commemorated, not so much by philatelists as the nation generally. The British House of Representatives—the House of Commons—have at last set their back up against the Rip Van Winkles in the ancient House of Lords. The latter have managed to muster courage to refuse a financial bill made to benefit the people. As it will be a battle now between Aristocracy and Democracy, I guess a few of the Noble Lords will be importing themselves into the States. Some dealers here think that the coming happening will effect the stamp trade and the big buyers. The absence for over 100 years of a House of Lords to boss American affairs hasn't done much harm to the American Stamp Trade—in fact I rather think a Senate will hustle things a bit this side.

Hayti 1904 Remainders.—An esteemed writer in an American contemporary has been writing on the forgeries of several modern issues. Among these he includes Hayti, and asks the question as to whether it is likely that any firm of dealers could sell the 1904 set of six values, having a face-value of 17 cents, and catalogued seventy-four cents, at 10c per set if they are genuine? Certainly to those who do not know the full history of these stamps, one would certainly conclude they are forgeries, or as the writer suggests, stolen. These stamps were neither stolen nor reprinted by the Government printer. The history of them is similar to many another Southern Republic of little standing. They were printed in France for the Simon Sam Government. Things were getting bad in Hayti, and the printers could not get paid for their work, so they stopped delivering the stamps, as have done the American Bank Note Company on several occasions. In the meantime President Simon Sam and his Party went bust, and the printing society found themselves creditors with no chance of recovering their money—but fortunately with a good stock of the stamps on hand. After waiting some time to make sure President Nord Alexis was securely in power—they did what any other progressive business firm would do. What they don't know about stamps in France is little use getting information on. The printers started selling to dealers—like the British South Africa and North Borneo Companies, and the French and German Colonial Offices. After fairly well filling up the market at par rates—the demand slackened—but the printers were ready—they dropped their rates—quick. The writer I have made reply to, Mr. Percy McMann, quotes as his authority Mr. Eugene Klein's report to the A. P. S. Convention at Atlantic City. I am not trying to boom the stamp by any means, but I wish to show that it is quite possible for genuine ones to be sold at a dime a set—and if Scott or other cataloguers quote at 74c the set, it is their own business—no doubt having bought good supplies when in issue.

I never like to take the liberty of correcting anybody—more so those enjoying greater footing than myself. This time I however must beg leave to correct Messrs. Mann & Klein. Hayti is a country I have spent a deal of time on—besides getting help in the work direct from Port au Prince. I say that it is impossible to detect forgeries from the genuine by Mr. Klein's description that the cannon balls or paper differ! New plates were made in 1905, whereby the cannon balls differ—as said by Mr. Klein to be forgeries. To speak strictly, new plates were made for all *except two values.* To describe the detector of the forgeries would take up too much space—besides giving away a valuable piece of information which I believe I possess the exclusive information of outside the printers, and which I desire for a work I am getting up on this country.

Offer to A. P. S. Members.—I can safely say that the cannon balls have nothing to do in the detection of the forgeries. However to put those collectors at rest who possess this set, I will tell all who send their stamps to me mounted, together with addressed envelope and 2c stamp for return postage (5c extra if registered) whether their stamps are genuine or forgeries (A. P. S. members only need apply) but will express no opinion as to the reason of my decision. I might add that the margin of the sheets of the genuine stamps bears the paper manufacturers' watermark—but of course only occurs on the stamps when badly centered. Note my address at the head of these notes.

Another Big Collection to Come.—I have great pleasure in announcing that the United States section of the Munn collection will be sent across to the States for disposal. This has been highly specialized by Mr. William W. Munn, one of our oldest collectors, and a well-known collector of U. S. stamps. I have had the exclusive review of this fine collection on behalf of the WEEKLY, and shall present same in course of a week or so. So important is this collection that I shall be able to prove many little things not known, and also conclusively upset several generally accepted statements made by such eminent philatelists as Mr. Tiffany, Scott Co., Stanley Gibbons, etc., as proved by pieces at present resting in the Munn collection.

Mr. Munn, like many another great collector, has had the modesty to think that his discoveries were minor, whereas they were of the utmost importance to collectors at large. This reticence is to be depreciated. Every philatelist should, no matter how retiring his disposition, make public his discoveries and researches, for the benefit and furtherance of his hobby. If those who do not like taking up a pen, would do as Mr. Munn has done, place in the hands of some press representative, we would not be so often in the dark as to certain issues.

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1862, 6d dark green, imperf. pair, "
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1880, " 28a, 1sh vermilion, "
" 5sh rose, "
" " used.
" Scott No. 31, 1 on ½ of 6d, pair, unused.
" " " " " " " used.
" " No. 33, 4d on 1sh, unused.
" " " " " 6d, pair used.
Tobago 1879, £1 violet, unused.
Trinidad, lithographs, several unused.
Scott No. 62, 1d on 6d green and black, used.
Turks Id. 1873-9, 1sh violet, unused.
1873-9, 1sh violet, used.
1873-9, Scott No. 18, 2½ on 6d, unused.
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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES.

Edited by HENRY A. KIDDER.

Any information regarding new issues will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Address HENRY A. KIDDER, 17 Addison Street, Arlington, Mass.

UNITED STATES.—S. E. Young, M. D., sends us a specimen of a rouletted postal card, which apparently has not been previously listed. These cards are printed in sheets of eight cards, two rows of four cards, so that none of the cards are perforated all round. The middle four are perforated on three sides, and the remaining four on two sides only. The sample sent was used by the Norfolk & Western Railroad, each having a printed form.

Dr. Young also encloses a sheet of Virginia feed stuff stamps, which are not very common in whole sheets. These are printed in bright red, in sheets of 10 stamps, rouletted, the value being ⅜c. The sheet under inspection reads "Virginia" at the top and "Tax Paid" at the bottom, worked into the frame. The date "1909" appears at either end, and the value in large colored circles in each corner. The centre reads, "Virginia Feeding Stuff — Inspection Tag — 50 pounds—This stamp must be attached to —Analysis tag on each package—W. D. Saunders—Dairy & Food Commr."

Chester Myers reports the following precancels, not on Eldredge's list:

Ashland, Ohio, 1c reading up. Double.
Cleveland, Ohio, 4c normal.
Elgin, Ill., 3c inverted.
Philadelphia, Pa., 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c, 5c and 6c, normal. Wide space.
Philadelphia, Pa., 15c normal. Narrow space.
Pittsburgh, Pa., 1c normal.
Racine, Wis., 3c normal. Double.
Rock Island, Ill., 1c normal.
St. Louis, Mo., 1c, 2c normal.
South Weymouth, Mass., 1c normal.

E. J. Post reports the following precancels not on Eldredge's list:

Ashland, Ohio, 3c inv.
Cleveland, Ohio, 5c inv.
Racine, Wis., 3c reading up.
Racine, Wis., 3c reading down.
Racine, Wis., 6c reading down.
Minneapolis, Minn., 3c normal.
Minneapolis, Minn., 3c inv.
St. Paul, Minn., 4c reading down.
Bedford City, Va., 5c normal.
Bedford City, Va., 6c normal.
Northampton, Mass., 4c circular cancellation.
Northampton, Mass., 10c.
Philadelphia, Pa., 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c, 6c, 10c, 50c, normal.
Binghampton, N. Y., 1c, date "5-09."
Scranton, Pa., 4c, 5c normal.
Rochester, N. Y., 1c, 3c normal.
Menominee, Mich., 1c.
Pittsburg, Pa., 1c, 5c.
Elgin, Ill., 3c inv.
Rock Island, Ill., 1c normal.
Battle Creek, Mich., 2c normal.
Ansonia, Conn., 1c normal.
Lynn, Mass., 13c, with frame, reading up.
Albany, Oregon, 1c inv.
National Stock Yards, 5c.
Oneco, Fla., 2c, with vertical bar.
Oneco, Fla., 2c with horizontal bar.
Oneco, Fla., 2c with double vertical bars.
Jackson, Mich., 3c with regular newspaper cancellation.

Mr. Post is informed that the Philadelphia precancels with the lines close together, are from the bottom row in the sheet, making 10 of the narrow spaced stamps in each 100. The National Stock Yards stamp is from Chicago, though that fact does not appear on the stamp.

Herman W. Boers calls our attention to the fact that the current plate numbers on United States stamps now have a star between the Bureau imprint and the number. These stars have now been seen on 1c, plate No. 5014; 2c, plate No. 5052; 4c, plate No. 5138, and 5c plate No. 5341. We are informed that the stars appear on all the sheets that have the spacing between the rows of stamps rearranged so as to improve the regularity of the perforations. This probably explains the improvement noted by Mr. Wagner in No. 993.

H. S. Williams explains the use of stamps over the printed permits, especially that noted by J. Arthur Wainwright in a recent number, as follows: "This firm sends out so many different things that it has these Permits printed without the value and then stamp in the value according as needed. When they don't want to bother with the permit privilege they just use the envelope as any other envelope and put on stamps."

Howard H. Elliott reports the following precancels:

Holyoke, Mass., 1c normal.
Holyoke, Mass., 3c normal.
Holyoke, Mass., 6c normal.
Dalton, Mass., 6c normal.
Hamilton, Ohio, 3c normal, used over permit.
Hamilton, Ohio, 4c normal, used over permit.

S. M. Edwards reports these precancels:

Binghampton, New York, 1c, 1902, dated "4—'03" double; both normal.

Cleveland Bundlie reports these precancels:

Topeka, Kans., 1c normal.
Philadelphia, 10c with precancellation misplaced appearing at top on one stamp and at bottom on another. The latter has two sets of rule, the other but one.

Henry Schuhmacher has shown us a copy of the two-cent vermilion 1903 U. S. envelope advertised by him elsewhere in this issue. In the specimen submitted no trace of the "I" can be observed in the word "Washington" and it makes a very interesting variety of this much specialized in envelope.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.—The so-called 1908 issue of government picture cards are at hand from Mr. Schachne and make a most creditable appearance. The fine 1d stamp is all right as every collector knows. The views are interesting and well printed in fine colors on very highly callendared white card. They are on the left half of the front which leaves the back for correspondence, though the card is very poorly adapted for pen work. We have seen only ten different views and the same number of colors but very likely this is only a fraction of what is liable to come. This set ought to be of interest to both classes of postcard collectors.

TONGA.—Mr. Schachne has shown us the card issued last year which seems to have little use beyond being a medium to advertise local scenery. Both sides have views which with the four headlines and oblong stamp leave only a blank space for the address. There is a colored view on back, but the headlines and view on the front are black.

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1d brown-red and black on white; 140x88 mm.

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Desire to exch. Postal Stamps of all the American countries for stamps of Switzerland. Emil Steiger, Kirchgasse No. 1, St. Gall, Switzerland. [94

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The 131st meeting of the New York Stamp Society was called to order on Thursday, January 6th, 1910 at 8.30 p. m., in the club rooms of the society with President Wilford in the chair and 28 members in attendance.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted as read. The Secretary read a letter from Edgar Nelton, and the same was ordered filed. The application of Emil Reichert, No. 422 Winthop Ave., Astoria, L. I. C., proposed by Mr. Dicke and seconded by Mr. Levy was read and accepted.

The following resignations were accepted with sincere regrets: Charles W. LeMore, Edgar Nelton, D. E. A. Hunt and Henry Heyland.

Richard A. Kampf of No. 200 Rodney Street, Brooklyn, was duly elected a member.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, $5 was appropriated to the Educational Committee of the A. P. S. It was the sentiment of those present that this worthy object should receive the hearty support and co-operation of all societies and individuals interested in philately and all are urged to contribute generously to insure a splendid success.

Several proposed amendments to the Constitution and by-laws were offered, and they will be voted on at the next regular meeting of the society.

The meeting was adjourned at 10 o'clock.

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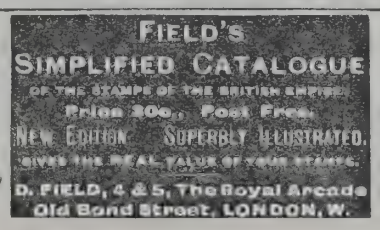

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Office of Acting President,
ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 30, 1909.

At the suggestion of the Chairman of the Recruiting Committee, I hereby appoint Mr. I. C. Greene, Leominster, Mass., as a member of said committee.

Upon the resignation of Mr. Julian Park, of Buffalo, N. Y., as a member of said committee, I hereby appoint Mr. F. B. Griffith, Jr., 550 Ellicott Square, Buffalo, N. Y., as a member of said committee.

Very truly yours,
F. R. CORNWALL, Acting Pres.

REPORT OF SECRETARY FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY 15TH 1910.

APPLICATIONS PENDING.

Corim, Marcello H.	Smith, Edward E.
Zollars, Lewis R.	Manioladis, Nicolas.
Webb, Wm. Carleton	Hyde, Edward A.
Wittenmaier, Fred W.	MacDonnell, F. C.
Parke, Hervey C.	Ward, Wm.
Nelson, J. S.	Taylor, Chas. O.
Walliser, Carl.	Metz, H. F.
Brayton, Frank D.	Turner, Mazwell W.
Perrin, Elmer	Lockie, Jay J.
Peplow, F. J.	Ross, Reuben W.
Burnham, R. E.	Cherry, Rev. C. Waldo.
Roulet, C. C.	

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

As soon as your name has been published as an applicant you will probably have unsolicited selections of stamps sent you on approval. As a great many collectors object to this the Society desires to break the practice up. Please aid us and help protect yourself and others against further imposition, by holding such selections without purchasing therefrom until sufficient funds have been received from the sender to enable you to return the stamps to him by registered mail. Also please report to the Secretary of the Society the name of the dealer sending such unsolicited selections.

Everett, Russell C., 150 Smith St., Hartford, Conn.; age 15; Student. Reference: G. R. Perkins, A. P. S. 3189. Guaranteed by Harriett M. Everett, mother. Proposed by H. L. Perkins, No. 2796.

Harrison, W. R., 353 W. Huron St., Pontiac, Mich.; age legal; Clerk P. O. Reference: American Savings Bank. Proposed by Chas. R. Morris, No.2629.

Barker, Wm. S., 12 Bromfield St., Boston, Mass.; age 42; Mgr. Mail Order Dept. Reference: New England Stamp Co. Proposed by A. W. Batchelder, No. 526.

Hagerman, Herbert J., Southspring Manor, Roswell, N. M.; age 38; Land & Cattle. References: First National Bank, Roswell, N. M.; First National Bank, Colorado Springs, Colo. Proposed by H. S. Adair, No. 2447.

King, Dr. W. W., 1360 Jones St., San Francisco, Cal.; age 34; Physician. Reference: Frederick Woods, Jr., Pacific Bldg. Proposed by H. W. Doscher, No. 395.

Brophy, T. S., The Fairfield, Seattle, Wash.; age 45: Prop. References: Union Savings & Trust Co., Seattle; Citizens National Bank, Port Angeles, Wash. Proposed by Francis Rotch, Jr., No. 2574.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3697. Camp, William D., Buffalo, N. Y.
3698. Walden, Lemuel G., Dorchester, Mass.
3699. Woodlands, Harold, Kapunda, South Australia.

APPLICATION FOR REINSTATEMENT.

2010. Jones, Edward Russell, 220 W. Rittenhouse Sq., Philadelphia, Pa. Proposed by Eugene Klein, No. 2275.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

3403. Chubbuck, Edward E., from Towanda to S. A. E. House, State College, Pa.
1909. Stratton, Miss Hattie R., from Grandview to 321 Poplar St., Chattanooga, Tenn.
2396. Hoffman, August H., from Fox St. to 1731 Arapahoe St., Denver, Colo.

CORRECTION.

2579. Close, Jackson J., Jacksonville, Pa., should be Jacksonwald, Berks Co., Pa.

RESIGNATION RECEIVED.

3294. Lucas, Chester H., 2 Veranda St., Portland, Maine.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY.

Total membership Jan. 8, 1910,	1851
New stockholders,	3
Total membership Jan. 15, 1910,	1854

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H. S. ADAIR, Sec.

Translation.

MR. L. HARALD KJELLSTEDT,
Scranton, Pa.

At the last meeting of the Philatelic Society of Sweden, the undersigned was requested to ask you to kindly convey to the American Philatelic Society the deep gratitude of our society on account of it having been elected to corresponding membership of your honored society.

According to instructions,
Respectfully yours,
ALBRECHT WILMS, First Sec.
STOCKHOLM, Dec. 15, 1909.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Dues received since last report of No. 181, $2.00.

Dues received since June 30th, last, which is this day remitted to the Treasurer, $5.50.

S. M. EDWARDS, Sec.
ARGUSVILLE, N. D., Dec. 31, 1909.

The Boston Philatelic Society.

L. L. GREEN, Pres.; C. K. B. NEVIN, Vice Pres.; C. A. HOWES, Sec., 55 Kilby St., Boston; J. M. BARTELS, Int. Sec., 813 Old South Bldg., Boston; J. B. B. SMITH, Treas., Wollaston, Mass.; J. H. LYONS, Supt. Auc.; P. C. KIMBALL, Supt. Sales; I. W. RISDON, Supt. Bourse; J. M. BARTELS, Chmn. Expert Com.

Meetings first (informal) and third (regular) Tuesdays at Club Room 506 Kast Bdg., 7.30 P. M.

BOSTON, MASS., Jan. 15, 1910.

The 218th (regular) meeting will be held at the club room on Tuesday evening, Jan. 18th, at 7.30 o'clock. This is the annual meeting for the election of officers, the nominations being as follows: *President,* W. O. Wylie, C. K. B. Nevin; *Vice President,* F. S. Cook; *Secretary,* C. A. Howes; *Int. Secretary,* J. M. Bartels; *Treasurer,* J. B. B. Smith, *Supt. Sales,* P. C. Kimball; *Supt. Auctions,* J. H. Lyons; *Supt. Bourse,* I. W. Risdon; *Governing Board,* J. C. Woolley, R. S. Burns, W. O. Wylie, C. K. B. Nevin, L. L. Green, C. R. Lewis; *Library Committee,* C. K. B. Nevin, C. A. Howes.

The following names are to be voted on for membership:

Thomas Todd, Jr., Concord, Mass.
Oscar B. McElhiney, Winchester, Mass.
H. B. Seagrave, Cambridge, Mass.
J. Harper Blaisdell, Winchester, Mass.

The following amendment will be voted on:

Amend Art. XIII, Sec. 1, by inserting in the third line "one dollar" in place of "two dollars," so that the subscription for non-resident members shall be one dollar per year.

The entertainment will be the specialized collection of Uruguay belonging to Mr. Chas. L. Pack. Mr. Pack's collections are too well known to need any extended introduction; those who have seen any will know what to expect and be eager to see more.

C. A. HOWES, Sec.

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THE STAMPS OF PERSIA.

By F. F. LAMB.

Of all the countries of the world it would be hard to find a more neglected country, philatelically speaking, than is the oldest Kingdom on earth—namely Persia. The main reason for this is not far to seek when we remember the deluge of so-called postal emissions which have showered themselves on us from the land of antiquity.

Apart, however, from these speculative issues, some of which how-be-it their nature, are of interest, we find that the philatelic history of Persia forms a theme which should be of great interest and charm to the student, while those collectors who delight to delve into the very beginning of things, even to thousands of years before postage stamps were, will find Persia a fascinating country. For instance, we are told that in Persia exist at the present moment the wells that were built on the great trade route that traverses the land of the Shahs, a route that was hoary with age, centuries before the city of Babylon came into being.

Another great route, we are told, was that followed by Alexander when he marched through Persepolis and Susa on his return from India! Meditate over these facts ye collectors of Caymans and pictorial New Zealands and reflect that even in the time of Nebuchadnezzar Persian Posts existed.

From a modern point of view, and after all that is what usually appeals to collectors, we find the postal history of Persia, as we stamp collectors know it, commenced as recently as the late sixties when a postal commission was sent to Paris to make enquiries relating to a supply of stamps being sent out to Teheran.

The result of this visit was that M. Barre, the well-known engraver of the then current laureated stamps of France (1863-70), was commissioned to execute designs for a series of Persian stamps. In going to M. Barre the Persian envoys did well, for scarcely could they have gone to an engraver with a greater reputation for delicacy of touch and workmanship. Thus we find that France, the artistic nation, had the launching of Persia's first postage stamps.

The stamps themselves were of the well-known "lion" type, and were printed from four copper plates which were sent to Teheran. This issue—like many of a later date, met with but scant courtesy at the hands of the Persian postal authorities—all sorts of abuses (as we know them) crept in, with the result that the majority of collectors ignore these early stamps as they are unable to differentiate between the good and the bad. In these brief notes it is not my intention to write in a philatelic strain regarding the stamps of Persia mainly for the reason that, in common with most collectors, I must profess a complete ignorance regarding them. I can, however, I trust, point out to collectors the almost unique position that Persian stamps hold.

For several years the stamps from M. Barre's plates did postal duty in Teheran and several other Persian towns where there was a small usually *very* small, demand for adhesives. These stamps, according to a note in Gibbons' Catalogue, are only found in a pen cancelled condition, as postal obliterators were not used.

In charge of the Teheran Post Office at this time was a M. Riederer, an Austrian, who, doubtless of a patriotic nature, urged the claims of Vienna as a town likely to supply Persia's postal needs. Before, however, the Austrian capital was requisitioned for a supply of stamps, the four plates on hand were handed over by M. Riederer to a Mr. McLachlan, a printer in Teheran, with orders to retouch the original dies and add the value in Arabic beneath the body of the lion.

This was done and according to our catalogue, we find, a number of unnecessary stamps already began to crop up. In justification of these irregular varieties it is well to remind our readers that a good deal of what we call printer's waste, was included with the consignments of stamps sent out, with the natural result that the postal officials with the indolence and cupidity of the true Oriental, made use of any scrap of coloured paper that fell in their hands.

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"To-morrow?—Why, to-morrow I may be
Myself with yesterday's sev'n thousand years."

In 1876—or even earlier—for I believe many of the dates in Gibbons' catalogue need considerable revising, we find that the first issue of stamps from Vienna was sent out to Persia. As is to be expected, we find these stamps were printed on paper similar to that used for many of the stamps for other countries then being printed and perforated in Vienna. The perforations of these stamps also correspond, especially in the case of Montenegro. Possibly a collector of the first type of Montenegro does not realize that the much despised Persian stamps were printed and perforated side by side with his beloved stamps, and consequently should be philatelically as interesting.

Later on the first portrait type of Persian stamps went through other perforating machines at Vienna. Specialists of Austrian perforations please note.

The Vienna contract for printing and perforating held good for nearly twenty years, with the result that we find several of the well known perforations of Austria, Bosnia, Hungary, etc., represented. In 1889, according to the inevitable catalogue, we find that a single issue of stamps was ordered in Paris, the design being most inartistic. These stamps were perforated 11, and also 13½, by whom, and where, I do not know, but doubtless by one of the many private firms in Paris.

In 1894, Persian stamps underwent, from a philatelic point of view, drastic changes. The contract for printing them was placed with Enschedé & Sons, of Haarlem, Holland. As is to be expected, we find a very marked similarity between these new stamps and the then current stamps of Holland (1891-96) which were turned out by the same people. The small stamps of the new Persian set were perforated 12½, as were the low value Dutch, while the higher values, like the gulden values of Holland, were put through the 11½x11 machine.

In 1898, we find that M. Eugène Mouchon, of Paris, was commissioned to engrave a new set of stamps, which he did; Messrs. Enschedé still retaining, as they do at present, the printing contract. M. Mouchon's work is also well represented by the current stamps of France and Holland.

Since 1894, we find the current perforations of Holland on Persian stamps.

Unfortunately during the past twelve years or so the Persian postal authorities, great and little, have inundated us with a deluge of surcharges, many of which are undoubtedly of a purely unnecessary and speculative character.

In 1902 we find that the city of Meshed issued provisionals, while overprints and surcharges came in a never ceasing flow from Teheran. Ignoring these issues we are quite sure that were a few keen collectors to specialise the earlier stamps they would find much to interest them; they would, however, have to devote more time than is usually given to half-a-dozen countries before they could make much headway, but we think they would be fully repaid.

There are specialists of Austrian, Dutch and French stamps in plenty, but Persian stamps, which show many of the same characteristics, are neglected. Truly, our goddess ever shows her fickleness. Not only should collectors of the well-known Vienna and Dutch perforations be interested in Persian stamps, but also those collectors who are collectors of the work of the well-known engravers, M. M. Barre and Mouchon. Given so many obvious advantages surely the stamps of Persia are neglected? Think, you reader—are the *pros* or the *cons* the heavier?—*Phil. Jour. of Great Britain.*

ACKNOWLEDGED WITH THANKS.

(Under this heading we note the receipt of catalogs, price lists, etc., from advertisers using the WEEKLY. Where addresses are given samples may always be obtained post free.—Ed.)

—Clippings from F. Purdy, Edw. Wintermute, T. C. Mann, Chas. S. Cates, A. A. Kelson, F. J. Martin and Amy L. Swift (2).

—Catalog of coin sale at Elder Auction Rooms, N. Y. City, Jan. 18-19. Famous Appleton collection will be sold. Catalog written by Chas. Steigerwalt, Lancaster, Pa.

—Fourth Mail Auction catalog from B. O. Komorous & Co. General collection of James Holpuch of Chicago will be sold. Date Jan. 29.

—Folder from the Eagle Stamp Co., Boston, Mass. Many good bargains for beginners. Good line of accessories.

—New Year's greetings from A. W. Dunning, postmarked Sorrento, Italy.

—Auction Catalog of Voorhees' Sale No. 38, to be held Sat., Jan. 29, at the club room of the C. P. S.

—Scott's Circular, Jan. 15.

—Plumridge & Co.'s Auction List. Sale to be held Jan. 27-28. Fine plate of rarities inserted. Address 63 Chancery Lane, London, Eng.

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A MATTER OF GREAT IMPORTANCE.

A Ruling of the Postal Department that Concerns Every Society Member.

We have received the annual report of the Third Assistant Postmaster General and notice therein a section that concerns every member of the societies represented by the WEEKLY as official journal. We quote from the section the following paragraphs:

"The members of these organizations (fraternal orders and societies) have a full and unquestioned right to subscribe for whatever periodical they may choose, and this department neither has nor assumes any right to interfere therewith, but may incidentally make inquiry as to the character of such subscriptions in its effort to determine whether a publication has a lawful subscription list or is designed primarily for advertising purposes or for free circulation.

"The constitution or by-laws of such orders and societies may provide for the publication or adoption of a newspaper or periodical as their organ, but they can not force the same upon their members as a condition of membership where there is no desire for the publication.

"To meet these conditions, as well as to do justice to that class of publishers who must compete with fraternal and society organs, the department now declines to consider as a part of a legitimate subscription list such subscriptions as are made in connection with the payment of dues, unless it is made plain to the member that he is given the opportunity to say whether he desires such publication, and in the event of his not desiring it sufficiently to pay therefor, his dues will be diminished by the amount of the subscription price of the publication.

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Under the above ruling it will not be permissible for any society organ or official journal to receive subscriptions except where the individual member indicates a desire for the paper and pays a stated price for the same in addition to the society dues.

The publishers of MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS desire to announce that they propose to take immediate steps to comply with the above ruling. Our contracts with the Texas Philatelic Association, New York Stamp Society, Washington Philatelic Society and American Envelope Society expired Jan. 1, and if our publication is desired as official journal the by-laws of each society must be so amended as to conform with the rulings of the Department.

Just as fast as our remaining contracts expire they can only be renewed upon the basis above given, including the American Philatelic Society, our national organization. In the by-law pertaining to the annual dues of members must be inserted the subscription price of the official journal, so that members paying their dues can also add the subscription price of the official journal should they desire to subscribe for the same. We shall take this matter up with secretaries at once, so that the Department rulings may become operative with the least delay possible.

Under the new ruling we shall accept subscriptions from society members at our regular price, 50c, and publish as in the past such official matter as may be sent in. This will not be contingent upon any definite number of subscriptions being received and a year under the new arrangement will enable both parties concerned to determine whether the relationship shall be continued. It will be advisable for the members of the smaller societies represented by the WEEKLY to subscribe in goodly numbers, in view of the demand that will be made upon our space for the publication of official matter by the societies to which they belong.

N. E. P. A. BANQUET.

The New England Philatelic Association, having reached the respectable age of fifteen years, celebrated this event in fitting manner by a meeting and banquet at the Crawford House, Boston, on Tuesday evening, January 11th. Out of a total membership of thirty-three there were twenty members and guests that gathered around the convivial board. H. Wesley Legg, president of the association, acted as toastmaster, and L. L. Green, president of the Boston Philatelic Society, was the guest of honor. Others who responded were E. F. Sawyer, president of the American Envelope Society, C. F. Rothfuchs, C. A. Howes and Alex. P. Brown, secretary of the association. Many letters of congratulation were read from presidents of other societies who had been invited to honor the occasion. The menu was garnished with a copy of the ½d Papua stamp presented with the compliments of the New England Stamp Co. The varieties catalogued are given in another column of this issue.

A NEW PATRON.

Elsewhere in our columns will be seen the initial advertisement of the Postage Stamp Co., L. Harald Kjellstedt and Edwin P. Seebohm having entered into a partnership under this company name.

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222	" 4c "	?	.50	1.50	3.00
223	" 5c "	?	.50	1.50	3.00
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279Ab	1898, 2c rose carm.	.75	.15	.30	1.00
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EDITORIAL.

Acknowledgment—Chas. R. Morris, Washington, D. C., has rendered a valuable service to our readers as they learned from a perusal of the leading article in last week's number. Not alone did our English correspondent find his questions authoritatively answered but all students of the stamps of our country were edified for the first time, we believe, by dependable descriptions of the guide lines and sheet arrangements of recent issues. Latterly, no little attention has been devoted to the guide lines on United States sheets and the information now at our service is opportune as well as instructive. We are pleased to acknowledge our obligation to Mr. Morris, who has pursued his researches so advantageously to us all. While no answers were received when the questions were asked last summer, on this second occasion, Messrs. Morris and Nevin (whose letter appeared in No. 993.) came to our rescue; it was well proved worth while to "try again."

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Surprise—The results of the Penflip prize contest and the 1000th cover design competition continue to amaze us. The interest created by both was little anticipated but all effort will be made to announce the winners in an early issue. At least, the Penflip prize will be awarded in the next number. While we have often recorded our transcendent admiration for the great Penflip, yet even we did not place a true estimate on the magic of his name. When the answer to the question is given, it will be in the nature of a surprise, it is safe to say.

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For Once—Hope springs eternal in the human breast, particularly that in which philately has its lodging, yet those who are blessed in the results are not many. Now and then, a tale of truth and cheer breaks the monotony of the call of the many and the choosing of the few. F. Gaerte has a Campeche stamp that he believed in; he studied Walter Clarke Bellows' wonderful book on these stamps and his faith, if possible, was strengthened. He sent his specimen to Mr. Bellows for expert opinion; and now, not alone does Mr. Gaerte know that he has a genuine Campeche for Mr. Bellows after careful examination pronounces the stamp good and true. The copy is a superb specimen of the 5c and is satisfactory in every respect; and further particulars of it probably will be given.

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Reads Well—George Livingston Richards has prepared and sent to those who encouraged his promotions a somewhat remarkable circular, dated December 11th, 1909, at his London office. Our thanks are due to J. Fred Vickrey of Chicago for the privilege of perusing the circular. Mr. Richards is not unknown in the circles of promoters in America as he has been identified with various enterprises concerning which there has been some newspaper publicity, in the past. It is not the intention to review the recent vicissitudes of Mr. Richards who, according to his circular of explanation is hopeful that soon he can rehabilitate his own fortune and that of those whose belief in him has not been shattered by adverse developments affecting him and consequently his adherents. Mr. Richards says: "I found I could print a postage stamp in one or more colors with one die at one impression. This is something that not even the printing press has been able to do, as a separate plate is required for each color. After exhibiting this machine to the newspaper representatives, I addressed the leading Governments throughout the world, and I have in my possession at this writing letters from the majority with whom I communicated, requesting me to send machines for their inspection, which I have been unable to do owing to lack of funds, with the exception of one Government. Should their experts decide favorably it means that I am to construct, perhaps, 25 or 50 machines for them to try out, then if the machines do all that I claim, they will give a large order. Should this one government adopt the machine, it means that others will follow, and every share of this 10,000 pound company will be worth fifty-fold. I showed the correspondence, etc., of the various Governments to the large shareholder who called upon me, and he has also seen the machine in operation in my office. That is all the particulars I intend to give at the present time. I have got a good thing, others say so, and I know it. The business cannot be accomplished in a day or month, but is going to take months, and just as soon as I secure the necessary funds, I will construct machines and send representatives to the other Governments who have requested to see them."

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Furthermore—That Mr. Richards is a versatile genius and has another string to his bow is seen from the following excerpt from an article in a London newspaper that Mr. Richards incorporates in his circular: "An invention which, if officially adopted, bids fair to revolutionize the postal services of the country, has been brought out by an American, Mr. G. L. Richards, which consists of a machine for franking postage stamps or impressions on letters, postcards, etc., instead of awaiting the convenience of the Post-office officials when requiring a stamp. All one has to do is to place a half-penny, penny or two pence, half-penny, as the case may be, in a slot, lay the letter on a kind of shelf which is above, and by depressing a lever the letter receives the correct impression of a postage stamp. The working of the machine is most simple and the cost would not average more than ten pounds. The inventor calculates that 25,000 letters could be stamped without rendering it necessary for the die inside to be re-inked. . . . The invention is intended to be placed in pillar letter-boxes, in post offices, hotels, large stores, railway buildings, etc." We shall not attempt any speculation as to the potentialities of these machines but shall be content with the observation that Mr. Richards' inventive activities are calculated to preserve the philatelic equation. On one hand, he impairs the necessity for using actual stamps, while on the other, he encourages the creation of many new issues.

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Isle Away—One of the standard topics for discussion some years ago was the governmental and postal status of the Isle of Pines and the question was often adverted to in our columns. The ultimate understanding was that rightly Cuba claimed and was granted administrative control of the island by the United States. However, Senator Clapp of Minnesota has brought strong argument to bear in favor of this country's ownership of the island; and in a recent issue of the *North American Review*, Senor De Quesada, former minister of Cuba to the United States advances testimony greatly to the advantage of the position of his country. He quotes Elihu Root, ex-Secretary of State as having said: "The island is lawfully subject to the control and government of the Republic of Cuba, and you and your associates are bound to render obedience to the laws of that country so long as you remain in the island." It is likely that Cuban stamps will continue to frank mail emanating from the Isle of Pines, even though this condition is not so agreeable to the Americans there as that allowing the use of American stamps would be.

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—A philatelic society has been organized in New Albany, Indiana, with the following officers: T. C. Meinhardt, President; James Coomes, Vice President; Harold Venable, Secretary; Robt. Jackson, Treasurer; W. A. Millican, Contest Manager and Editor Official Organ. Meetings are held every Friday night at the homes of the members.

—Specimen approval book from J. Wheeler & Co., Beckenham, Kent, England, showing a fine lot of stamps at 50% discount from Gibbons'. The firm states, however, that it is unable to fill want lists on this basis.

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—Clipping through Walter S. Wilmot from the *N. Y. Times* describing the contents of the Nassau auction sale to be held at the Collectors' Club Jan. 31 and Feb. 1 and 2. This is the Worcester collection that has been advertised in our columns.

—Clipping from Richard Mann taken from the *N. Y. World* describing the new French 100fr bank note.

—Samples of the "Newport Hinge" which Arthur P. S. Hyde proposes to exploit as "a peelable hinge that *is* peelable." In addition to being a peelable hinge its smallness in size will appeal favorably to the average collector. It will be advertised next week.

—The Ouilmette Stamp Co., Wilmette, Ill., would like information as to whether any dealer has had unsatisfactory dealings with E. R. Payne, Howard, South Dak. This notice is inserted by the advice of F. D. Goodhue, the A.P.S. Att'y.

—If the party in New Jersey who sent a registered letter to Chas. E. Severn, Boston, Mass., with five days return request upon the same will address Mr. Severn at 721 Oxford Bldg., Chicago, Ill., the delivery of the letter can be effected.

—The editor of *Billikins* writes us thusly: "Thank you very much for your kind words. But I am afraid from the way you have worded it that people will imagine it is an amateur publication. Far be it from that. Bill is an old philatelic writer of the early 90's and not an amateur by any means. Would you kindly correct the possible impression at once. It is *Billikins Philatelic Magazine*, not *Billikins*. The Feb. number will be 16 pages and cover in two colors, full of good things. It is not in the nature of an experiment, but a carefully considered proposition."

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—Edgar Nelton exhibited his collection before the Saginaw, Mich., society recently. F. J. Martin, of this city, who sends us clipping with above item of news, would like to have auction catalogs, price lists, etc., for the use of the local society.

—C. F. Heyerman, Detroit, Mich., sends us a rubber stamp design that is being used to exploit the Panama-California Exposition to be held at San Diego in 1915, to commemorate the completion of the Panama Canal. Mr. Heyerman asks, "Is this the forerunner of another special issue of stamps?" We are not very much at prophecy but would answer "Yes."

—Arthur P. S. Hyde has closed a deal with Major Palmer whereby he has acquired a large part of the latter's collection. The Philippine Islands section is almost complete, a few of the rarities only being lacking. We congratulate Mr. Hyde upon this acquisition. The amount involved in the transaction is represented by four figures.

—Unable to attend the N. E. P. A. banquet, we have received from the secretary, Alex P. Brown, a copy of the menu printed elsewhere in this issue. Thanks!

—Miss Amy L. Swift sends us a clipping from the Brockton *Times* relating to Edgar F. Brightman, formerly of Whitman, who will be remembered by many stamp collectors as a philatelic writer of a few years ago. Though stamps have now given place with him to things of greater import, Miss Swift writes that he still retains a pleasant memory of their attractions. The clipping follows:

Rev. E. S. Brightman, pastor of the Methodist church, Cochesett, and a student in the senior class of the Boston Theological Seminary, has been awarded a scholarship, allowing expenses for a year's study in Germany, and $500 in cash. Mr. Brightman has been attending the seminary daily, beside performing his church duties. He is a graduate of Brown university and lives with his mother, Mrs. Mary Brightman, in Cochesett.

—Robert Moore, Clayton, Wash., informs us that his A. P. S. Year Book for 1908-9 has three frontispieces and an equal number of name plates. Mr. Moore suggests that this may be a rarity in the way of philatelic literature.

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UNITED STATES.—M. E. Baizelay sends us an ordinary envelope, with a "Paid Permit" in the corner, on which the postage, one cent, has been prepaid with the current 1c, precancelled "Boston, Mass.," with the precancellation inverted. None of these things are uncommon, though the combination may be considered so.

Charles M. Breder reports having seen the current 1c precancelled "Schenectady, N. Y.", with the precancellation inverted, and the stamp perforated with the General Electric Co.'s private monogram perforation.

Henry A. Wahlborg reports having seen a Chicago 1c "Paid Permit," on which the postage has been paid by an imperforate 1c stamp.

AUSTRIA.—*Offices in the Levant.*—*Die Post* says that the postage due stamps are no longer printed on chalky paper.

BOLIVIA.—*Champion's Bulletin* chronicles three new values in the current commemorative set, the 2c and 20c having been previously chronicled. The 5c has a portrait of Pedro Domingo Murillo, and is dated "16 de Julio de 1809." The 10c illustrates Bernardo Monteagudo and is dated "25 de Mayo de 1809." The 50c has a portrait of Antonio Jose Sucre, and is dated "9 de Diciembre de 1824."

Adhesives.
5c carmine and black.
10c blue and black.
50c olive and black.

BULGARIA.—The *Postage Stamp* gives the denominations and illustrations of the new set now being prepared in London as follows: 1s, ancient Bulgarian fortress; 2s, portrait of King Ferdinand; 3s, view of the ancient capital, Tirnova; 5s, portrait of King; 10s, portrait of King in naval uniform; 15s, railway tunnel; 25s, portrait of King; 30s, view of Varna harbor; 50s, view (subject not stated); 1l, portrait of King; 2l, view of Rilo Monastery; 3l, picture of Holy Trinity Monastery.

CHINA.—*Gibbons' Weekly* reports the issue of the 4c stamp in a new color.

Adhesive.
4c red.

COLOMBIA.—*Gibbons' Weekly* notes that several of the current issue have been surcharged with a type set form reading "Correos—Departa—Metales" in three lines, or "Correos—Depmentales" in two lines, the latter having a type ornament in the centre. Both have rule borders. The stamps are thus converted into Departmental or Official issues. Both types of overprint are found upon the ½c yellow, 1c green, 2c carmine, 5c blue, 10c violet, 20c gray black and 1p brown of 1904, the ½c orange, 2c carmine, and 5c blue of 1908, and also upon the 10c violet registration stamps and 5c Acknowledgement of Receipts stamps. The first type is also found on the 10p. brown on pale salmon of 1902, and the Tolima 1p brown of 1888. With the varieties of perforation, etc., Gibbons makes 35 varieties of the above.

EAST AFRICA AND UGANDA.—*Ewen's Weekly* chronicles the 50 rupee stamp on chalky paper.

Adhesive.
50r red brown and black.

EGYPT.—*Sudan.*—*Ewen's Weekly* reports that further printings have been made of the "Army Service" stamps, and as the surcharge is reset each year, slight variations appear.

GREAT BRITAIN.—*Offices in the Levant.*—Another value has been added to the list given in No. 993. The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the new 4d orange, surcharged with value in Turkish money. The surcharge is in black and in two lines thus: "1 piastre—30 paras."

Adhesive.
1pi 30pa on 4d orange.

INDIA.—*Hyderabad.*—*L'Echo* chronicles the ½a vermilion of the new type, with official surcharge.

MAURITUS.—The stamps thus far issued in the new re-engraved Arms type are the 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c, 6c, 8c and 15c. The balance of the set is printed from the familiar De la Rue "Postage and Revenue" keyplate now for the first time used for this colony. All but the 1c, 8c, 5c and 12c are on chalky paper.

Adhesives.
1c gray black.
8c yellow brown.
5c gray and carmine.
12c gray.
25c black and red on yellow.
50c violet and black.
1r black on green.
2r 50c black and red on blue.
5r green and red on yellow.
10r green and red on green.

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MONTSERRAT.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us a number of new stamps from this Colony, in the new colors. The 2d is on ordinary paper, all the others on chalky paper.

Adhesives.

2d gray.
3d violet on yellow.
6d violet.
1sh black on green.
2sh violet and blue on blue.
2sh 6d black and red on blue.
5sh green and red on yellow.

NEW SOUTH WALES.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us a new printing of the current 6d stamp, which is now coming in a new color.

Adhesive.

6d red orange.

NEW ZEALAND.—Later information makes it plain that the 2½d, 9d, 2sh and 5sh stamps in the new set, are to be of the old designs.

PANAMA.—Gerald D. Bliss favors us with a specimen of the new 5c blue and black, with American Bank Note Co. imprint, and states that the stamp was placed on sale in the Panama city post-office the morning of January 4.

PERSIA.—*Champion's Bulletin* illustrates the kran values of a new set of stamps for this country, made necessary by the political changes that have taken place lately. Apparently all the chahi values are on green paper and the kran values on brown paper. We give the list below, subject to revision later. The same paper also gives a provisional, the 1c of 1908 have been surcharged with an "S."

Adhesives.

1c orange on green.
2c violet on green.
3c green on green.
6c carmine on green.
9c gray on green.
10c violet on green.
13c blue on green.
26c green on green.
1k silver and violet on brown.
2k silver and green on brown.
3k silver and gray on brown.
4k silver and blue on brown.
5k gold and green on brown.
10k gold and orange on brown.
20k gold and olive on brown.
30k gold and carmine on brown.

Hermann Focke writes: "The 10c Registration stamp is now printed by the National Printing Office, in a very bright violet color, the design in general differing considerably from the former printing made by Arango of Medellin. The principal and most easily distinguished differences are in the 'N' of 'No,' the '10' in each of the lower corners, and the height of the words 'Republica de Colombia.'"

SIERRA LEONE.—*Ewen's Weekly* reports the current 1d in a paler shade.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.—The 5d is now coming in a lighter shade, olive yellow, perhaps. The New England Stamp Co. has shown us a copy.

COMMUNICATION.

(We do not hold ourselves responsible for the views expressed by our readers. Our columns are always open for communications of general interest.—Ed.)

Editor MEKEEL'S WEEKLY:

Sir: About a year ago you published a letter from me relative to the "Ser. et" errors, Jamaica, current arms type. I stated at the time that a careful investigation had led me to believe that this error existed on the following stamps only, viz.:

Single CA, ½d, 1d, 2½d, 5d.
Multiple CA, ½d.

On a visit to Jamaica in 1908, I had had the opportunity of examining entire sheets of the 2½d and 5d on multiple paper, and as the error was not there, I concluded naturally enough, that it did not exist. A short time after the publication of my letter, one of your readers submitted a copy of the 5d multiple, showing the error, and a few months later I bought one from an English dealer. Now Mr. Astley Clerk, a well known philatelist of Kingston, Jamaica, informs me that the error positively exists on the following:

Single CA, ½d, 1d, 2½d, 5d.
Multiple CA, ½d, 1d, 2½d, 5d.

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Gen. Madden, formerly Third Asst. Postmaster General, is suing the Star Publishing Co. (*New York Journal*) of Washington for $100,000 for libel and the hearings have been held in that city. At one of the sessions the chief of the Stamp Division (Mr. Reeves) testified that, at Mr. Madden's personal order, he went over to the Bureau of Engraving & Printing and *ordered* that one sheet of the 4c Pan American (1901) series *should be printed with the centre inverted* and that, when it had been so printed, perforated and gummed, he went again to the Bureau and took the sheet to Gen. Madden. This sheet consisted of 400 stamps. He testified further that 100 of the stamps went to the Postal Museum here. It is a matter of record that, when Gen. Madden relinquished his office, 234 of the stamps were found in the safe in his office and were afterwards destroyed. This leaves but 66 of the stamps which can have come upon the market, including those with and without "specimen".

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Antoine, Rev. P., Sacred Heart Church, Jeanette, Pa.; age 31; Clergyman. Reference: Henry Potthoff, Jeweler, Latrobe, Pa. Proposed by Daniel J. Kaib, No. 3249.

Fanning, 2nd, Geo. W., 25 Broad St., New York, N. Y.; age legal; Broker. References: S. G. Currie, A. P. S. No. 3342; H. O. Ames, 25 Broad St. Proposed by Geo. S. Dates, Jr., No. 2428.

Jensen, C. W., 313 West St., Kenosha, Wis.; age 30; Cashier. Reference: N. R. A. Urns Sons Co. Proposed by W. O. Wylie.

Feldhaus, Wm., 1908 First St., N. W., Washington, D.C.; age 52. References: Second National Bank; J. A. Maedel, 416 5th St., N. W. Proposed by W. O. Wylie.

Corbaley, G. C., 907 Riverside, Spokane, Wash.; age 30; Sales Mgr. Reference: Arthur D. Jones, Real Estate. Proposed by W. O. Wylie.

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3711. Roulet, C., Dallas, Texas.
3712. Smith, Edward E., Omaha, Neb.
3713. Manoliadis, Nicolas, New York, N. Y.
3714. Hyde, Edward A., Washington, D. C.
3715. MacDonnell, F. C., Lakewood, N.J.
3716. Ward, William, Didsbury, Eng.
3717. Taylor, Chas. O., Belize, British Honduras.

RESIGNATION ACCEPTED.

3213. Carter, Wallace C., Llano, Texas.

RESIGNATION RECEIVED.

2394. Gerhart, Arthur R., Box 25, Lewisburg, Pa.

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New stockholders,	18
Total,	1872
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The 74th regular meeting was held January 11th, President Mason in the chair, with 14 members and one visitor present.

Minutes of the 73rd meeting were read and approved.

Mr. P. M. Thomson was proposed for active membership and his name ordered posted for the required two weeks.

The annual election resulted in the following officers being chosen: President, Mr. Paul Mason; First Vice President, Mr. Wm. H. Field; Second Vice President, Mr. Opha Moore; Secretary, Mr. Geo. K. Smith, Jr.; Treasurer, Mr. O. A. Schenck; Directors, the above officers and Messrs. J. F. Ranney and C. W. Sachs.

The annual report of the Secretary was presented and ordered filed.

Messrs. W. H. Field and W. F. Savage were appointed to audit the books and accounts of the Treasurer and Secretary.

The use of the club rooms having been granted the Geo. W. Linn Company for an auction, meeting adjourned about nine o'clock.

GEO. K. SMITH, JR., Sec.

The New England Philatelic Association.

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The fifteenth annual meeting of the New England Philatelic Association was held in Room 20, Crawford House, Boston, Mass., January 11th, 1910. Nineteen members and friends sat down at 7.30 p. m. to an elaborate feast which was finished up at 10 p. m., when cigars were lighted and the meeting called to order by Pres. Legg. Two new members namely, Mr. Percy M. G. Mann of Philadelphia, Pa., and Mr. Frank A. Dodge of Cambridge, Mass., were admitted as members. The names of Mr. L. L. Green and P. C. Kimball were proposed for membership. A vote of thanks was given the New England Stamp Co. for supplying the Papua stamps that adorned the supper menu. All other business including election of officers were laid over until the February meeting. After adjournment of the meeting the President called on the following gentlemen to address the members and they all responded quite felicitously: Messrs. L. L. Green, C. A. Howes, W. L. Aldrich, W. G. Bail, E. F. Sawyer, W. F. Marquardt, C. F. Rothfuchs, C. H. Stone and several others. Letters of regret at being unable to attend the banquet were read from Gen. C. A. Coolidge of the Detroit Society; R. C. Munroe of the Springfield Club, F. J. Wilford of the N. Y. Stamp Society, Percy M. G. Mann of the Philadelphia Society, Wendell A. Mowry of the Providence Society and F. N. Chase of the St. Louis Society. Letters were also read from Vice Pres. W. D. King and Henry A. Fowler. The following gentlemen were present at the banquet: H. W. Legg, L. L. Green, C. A. Howes, C. H. Stone, W. F. Marquardt, W. G. Bail, W. L. Aldrich, E. F. Sawyer, C. W. Stiles, C. E. Folsom, J. B. B. Smith, F. A. Dodge, C. R. Lewis, H. B. Seagrave, I. W. Risdon, C. F. Rothfuchs, P. C. Kimball, B. L. Drew and A. P. Brown. The following menu was thoroughly enjoyed by those present and the wish was expressed that the New England Society could have a fifteenth birthday every year.

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Caviar Canape "Crown C. C."
Oyster Cocktail "A Providence Local"
Olives Celery Radishes
"Unwatermarked"
Clear Green Turtle Soup from "Grandpa's"
Gambia
Thimble of Salmon a la Russe
"With Thunderbolts"
Parisienne Potatoes "Tete Beche"
Filet of Mignon Cheron "By Balloon Post"
Sweetbreads en Casserole with Fresh Mushrooms "N. E. P. A. Style"
Stuffed Bananas with Kirsh
"Nicaraguan Errors"
Roast Mallard Duck a la "Legg"
Fried Hominy at Auction Prices
Creme de Menthe Punch "Wylie's Vintage"
Waldorf Salad "Cataloged by Gibbons"
Frozen Pudding "King's" Best
Assorted Cake "Missionary Mixture"
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	1890, 6c carmine*	.25	.12
"	1896, 3c blue*	1.50	.45
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The Olympian games were the most famous of the four great national festivals of the Greeks. Their origin was lost in antiquity, but legend attributed their foundation to Hercules and other mythical characters. They were celebrated in the sanctuary of Zeus at Olympia every four years, and the period between two successive festivals came to be called an Olympiad, which was used to some extent for reckoning time. The first Olympiad began with the year 776 B. C., from which the official list of victors dates, and the name of the winner of the foot race was often used to designate the Olympiad instead of the number. The games were at their height during the fifth and fourth centuries, when the contestants were of the best blood in Greece, but gradually became mere professional contests and were finally suppressed by the Emperor Theodosius in A. D. 394, on the ground that they were opposed to the interests of Christianity.

During the greater part of their existence the games were in charge of the Eleans, in whose territory Olympia was situated. Early in the year of the games envoys from Elis were sent throughout the Greek world to invite the States to join in honor to Olympian Zeus; and in this way what seems first to have been more of a local celebration soon grew to be a national festival. The crowd of spectators included representatives of all branches of the Greek race, and many barbarians were drawn by the reputation of the spectacle. The competitions were open only to those of Greek descent and of good character. All combatants were required to train faithfully for ten months before the games, while the last thirty days had to be spent at Elis under the eyes of the officials, or *Hellenodikai,* in charge.

The first day of the festival was given to sacrifices, especially to Zeus, while the officials and contestants took a solemn oath, the former to judge fairly, the latter that they had observed the required training and would compete with fairness. The 5 drachma stamp of 1906 illustrates this ceremony, where we see an altar with attending priest, contestants, and a winged figure of victory. On the 10 lepta of the same issue we see another figure of victory sitting upon an amphora, and holding what appears to be the caduceus of Mercury. This would be appropriate, as the messenger of Zeus also presided over wrestling and other gymnastic exercises, and everything, in fact, which required skill and dexterity. As amphorae were commonly used to hold wine, the overturned vase and the decoration of the vine in the corners above may serve as a hint that victory depended upon total abstinence. The 40 lepta of the 1906 set has another female figure holding a cock as an emblem of victory. This is described officially as a "démon des jeux," I believe, which has unfortunately been translated usually as a demon or devil of some kind. Any one who remembers his Greek will doubtless see at once that it is intended to be the "spirit of the games," *daimon* having that significance originally and only gaining its malevolent character in later centuries.

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stadia was introduced, and at the next celebration the long run. The length of the course was some 600 feet, and the long run is understood to have been twelve times over the double course, making nearly a three-mile run. The 1 drachma stamp of 1906 shows the runners, taken from an ancient tile. When the long run was introduced the runners abandoned the loin cloth and appeared naked, a custom which prevailed thereafter as shown on the stamp.

In B. C. 708 wrestling was introduced, and on the 30 lepta of 1906 we see a couple thus engaged. The object was to throw the antagonist three times, but the struggle was not continued on the ground. In B. C. 688 boxing was taken up, and the 1 lepton of 1896 shows the beginning of a bout. This contest became gradually more brutal, for while at first the pugilists wound straps of soft leather over the fingers as a shield and to deaden the blows, in later times hard leather, sometimes weighted, was used. Still the highest praise was won by athletes who owed their success to such perfect defense that they exhausted their opponents without striking a blow or receiving a scratch.

In B. C. 680 the race for four-horse chariots was established, a quadriga being shown on the 25 and 60 lepta stamps of the 1896 issue. These races were run in the hippodrome, of which no trace has been discovered, but which is said to have had a length of four *stadia.* This would mean that a complete circuit was nearly a mile, and it is said that four horse chariots made twelve circuits. From this it would seem that the race was more for endurance than for speed, which was probably not the case. There is doubtless some discrepancy in the figures handed down to us.

Both series of stamps show us one of the minor games, discus or quoit-throwing. The discus was a plate of bronze, probably lens-shaped, and much heavier, evidently than the one now in use in athletic sports (4½ pounds) as the best throw recorded is 95 feet. The 1 and 2 lepta of the 1906 set show Apollo throwing the discus, a design said to have been taken from an ancient silver coin of the island of Ceos, which was current some five hundred years before Christ. The 5 and 10 lepta of 1896 reproduce the famous statue of the *discobolus* or discus-thrower, which was executed in bronze by the Athenian sculptor Myron in the fifth century before Christ. It is known by several marble copies, one of which is in the Vatican. The statue represents the athlete at the moment of the greatest muscular tension, when, having swung the discus back to the full stretch of his arm, he is about to hurl it forward with all his strength.

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The story runs thus: The golden apples which Juno had received at her wedding from the goddess of the Earth had been intrusted to the keeping of the three daughters of Hesperis, assisted by a watchful dragon. As one of his twelve labors, Hercules was ordered to get

these, but it seemed the most difficult of all as he did not know where to find them. After various adventures Hercules arrived at Mt. Atlas in Africa. Atlas was one of the Titans who had warred against the gods, and when the latter had subdued them Atlas was punished by being compelled to bear the weight of the heavens on his shoulders. He was the father of the Hesperides and Hercules thought if anyone could find the apples it would be he. But if Atlas went, what about the heavens while he was gone? Hercules solved it by taking the burden on his own shoulders, as we see by the stamp, where he is upholding the moon and stars. Atlas is very kindly returning with the apples, and was good enough to take up his burden again, though somewhat reluctantly.

The 25 lepta of 1906 shows the encounter between Hercules and Antæus. The latter was a mighty giant and wrestler, whose strength was invincible as long as he remained in contact with the ground, for he was a son of Terra, the Earth. He compelled all strangers who came to his country to wrestle with him on condition that if conquered (as they all were) they should be put to death. Hercules encountered him, as shown on the stamp, and finding it was of no avail to throw him, for he always rose with renewed strength from every fall, he lifted him up from the earth and strangled him in the air.

On two stamps of the 1896 issue we have representations of two famous statues of antiquity. It may be wondered why these should grace a set that commemorates athletic contests, but the connection is not too distant. The 2 drachma stamp has a picture of the statue of Hermes by Praxiteles, one of the greatest of Greek sculptors. The god is shown leaning his left arm upon a stump and supporting with it the infant Bacchus. The uplifted right hand carries a bunch of grapes toward which the baby god of wine is reaching. It will be remembered that Hermes presided over gymnastic exercises and sports which required skill, and we need but to add that the statue in question was located in the temple of Hera at Olympia to show why it appears here.

On the 5 drachma stamp is the statue of Nike or Victory by Pæonius, another celebrated Greek sculptor. This represents the winged goddess as sweeping through the air, with drapery pressed to her form and streaming behind in the wind. The statue was located within the enclosure that surrounded the temples at Olympia, and was conspicuous among many statues of victors and votive offerings. Early in the sixth century of our era the temples at Olympia were overthrown by earthquakes, and inundations buried the site under gravel. Not until 1875 was any determined move made toward excavation, but the German government then assisted the enterprise and these two statues were among the treasures recovered. The Nike was found in 1875, in a much damaged condition, and the Hermes in 1877, minus the right forearm and the two legs below the knees.

The 1 drachma stamp of 1896 is of interest as showing the Stadion or Stadium where the inauguration of the re-established Olympian games took place. The original structure, laid out in a hollow between low parallel hills, is said to have been built by Lycurgus about B. C. 330, but was rebuilt by Herodes Atticus about A. D. 130 in white marble. Most of this structure was burned for lime during the Middle Ages, but when the first games in the modern series were held at Athens in 1896, the ancient site was refitted, in part with marble, by the patriotic munificence of M. George Averoff, a wealthy Greek of Alexandria, together with the efforts of the Greek National Committee. The ground enclosed by the seats is 670 feet long by 109 feet wide.

In the background is seen the Acropolis of the ancient city, and the 10 drachma gives an idea of it restored from a nearer point of view. The Acropolis, as we all know, was the religious center of the ancient city and was given up to temples and shrines. It was destroyed by the Persians in B. C. 480.

The 20 and 40 lepta of the 1896 issue give a picture of an ancient amphora ornamented with a representation of Minerva, or rather Pallas Athene, to give her her Greek name, the patron goddess of Athens, for whom the city was named. She is the goddess of wisdom, though represented in rather warlike garb, with shield, spear and helmet.

Several of the stamps bear palm branches and wreaths as tokens of victory. The wreath or crown of olive from the sacred tree, supposed to have been planted by Hercules, was the only prize anciently awarded the victors. They assembled for the prize in front of the temple of Zeus on the last day of the festival and were afterwards banqueted by the State of Elis. The victor returned home in triumph to enter the city in a chariot accompanied by processions and songs. He was rewarded with particular honors by his fellow-citizens and often lived thereafter at public expense.

The modern Olympic games, re-established at Athens in 1896, are for the most part open to the world. The second Olympiad was held at Paris in 1900, the third at the St. Louis Exposition in 1904, a ten-year renewal at Athens in 1906, and the regular one again at London in 1908. But so far Greece, and with reason, has been the only country to celebrate in philatelic form.

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Greece—There is a marked difference in the stamp catalogues of today and those of forty-five years ago in the Greece section. Then, a leading catalogue in describing the set, one to eighty lepta said: "All the stamps now in use except the 1 and 2 lept., bear the figure of value on the back, and are printed with less care than the sheets first issued, which were worked off at Paris, and of which only the 10 lept. bore a numeral on the back, and that was double the size of the figure on the back of the current stamp." Now there is a formidable list of varieties which extend over pages in the catalogues. Thus early were the Paris prints distinguished from the Athens productions by the cataloguers but as the years succeeded each other and new printings of the same type were made, a condition of some confusion existed in the catalogues and the result was a sense of irregularity in the minds of those who devoted more than average attention to the stamps. Some years ago, one catalogue thoroughly rewrote and revised its list of the stamps of Greece and systematized greatly the different printings. The result is that the complexities presented by the stamps are made amenable, comparatively speaking, to the student of philatelic experience. Yet it is not to be supposed that there is not much material left to engage the best endeavors of the specialist; and of these we know of several who have studied the stamps to a superlative degree. One specialist who has studied the issues for years is expected to publish a great work incorporating his researches, in the course of time.

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Great Specialty—There are some wonderful specialized collections of the stamps of Greece; indeed the extent to which at least one of them has been developed is something to marvel at; it is a monument to the intelligent research and philatelic persistence of its owner. The number of its stamps particularly of the first type is almost incredible; this great collection still is the property, we believe, of a collector living in Greece. The Olympian Games commemorative issue of 1896 created something of a furore and it was one of the first sets to be condemned by the once flourishing Society for the Suppression of Speculative Stamps; but as the influence of the organization waned, all classes of collectors regarded the striking set with increasing favor. The surcharges preceding the issue of 1901 were so numerous as to try the tolerancy of many collectors but they are now considered to embody much interesting material. Before dismissing the stamps of Greece, it may be said that among the early essays of that country is a twenty lepta showing the portrait of King George I in a beaded frame in the centre of a view of the Parthenon.

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No Winner—No reader has sent in the answer that Mr. Barrett had in mind in the contest for the Penflip prize. When the competition was first announced, it was thought that possibly it might prove to be an easy one and so, its terms were such as to allow of certain eliminative processes, if necessary to enforce them. Cochin, Travancore and other native Indian states are not British colonies, strictly speaking; "the administration of the native and feudatory states of India, with few temporary or unimportant exceptions, is not under the direct control of British officials." Uganda no longer is a separate stamp-issuing country; condominiums such as Sudan are not wholly British colonies. Gibraltar and Cyprus were removed from the eligible list but these countries were admitted for a week through an oversight, to which attention was called at once. Falkland Islands with its "half a crown" was to be barred by the words, "on some of the stamps of its earlier issues." We can merely announce the result of the contest in this issue, in the following paragraph. While the prize has not been won, we feel sure that Parnassus Penflip will rise to the occasion. We shall hint to the illustrious Penflip that if he wishes to conserve the pleasant feeling inspired by the contest, he should give to those who sent in interesting answers a little philatelic souvenir. Perhaps, the noble Penflip will deign to notice our humble suggestion.

Answer—On the two shilling green, Victoria, 1858, imperforate,—the same stamp, rouletted, and perforated; on the two shillings, blue on green, 1864, there is the inscription in the upper scroll work under the label, "Victoria," in minute letters, at left "one" and at right "florin." On the six pence of the same type, the inscription at left is "six" and at right "pence." Evidently, "shillings" would require too much space and as two shillings were one florin, the space-saving solution was a happy one. The florin was two shillings; and so one florin was used. This florin has nothing in common with the old English gold florin of the 14th century, whose value was $4.62.

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Hussey and His Post—From P. J. Kranz, we have received a circular showing a large wood-cut of George Hussey, the originator and proprietor of Hussey's Special Message Post, followed by laudatory notices of himself and his activities. All of the matter entering into this advertising announcement, as in reality it is, is of some interest to philatelists today and we shall reproduce such parts of the notices that have a philatelic aspect or are illustrative of the workings of his enterprise, which through the issue of stamps has a place in the minds of philatelists. Further, there may be some curiosity to observe the style of "write-up" that prevailed at the period. We quote most of the following from the biographical sketch in the *Literary Album* of April 7th, 1866: "Mr. Hussey was born in the city of New York, on the 27th day of February, 1812. His father had died nearly two months prior to his birth, and, as a consequence, he was early thrown upon his own unaided resources. Thus was developed in him that remarkable energy and self-reliance for which he is so noted, and by which he has been enabled to take his stand among the prominent self-made men of our great metropolis. . . . . He entered upon the business in which he is now engaged, first introducing the Special Message Post to the New York public in September, 1854, under the title of the 'Bank and Insurance City Post,' with an office at No. 82 Broadway. His well-known probity and business energy speedily secured for him an extensive patronage; and, in 1858, he removed to his present location, No. 50 William Street; and considerably enlarged his field of operations. . . . . For the benefit of such as have not been fortunate enough to become aware of the existence in their midst of an extensive and well-organized system of special message delivery, we will briefly refer to a few of its leading features. It is designed in general terms to do for you, with reliability and despatch such errands of business and pleasure as it may not be convenient for you to do yourself. Do you wish a draft, a note or a check to be promptly presented for payment, certification, or acceptance?—step into 50 William Street, and one of Hussey's many messengers (of which there are from twenty-five to forty constantly employed) stands ready harnessed to spring at your request and do your bidding. Do you wish a note, a package, or a bundle delivered at any part of this city, or Brooklyn, Jersey City, Yorkville, Harlem, Staten Island,—anywhere, in fact in this vicinity? Do you wish to distribute your business or professional circulars, or have notices, papers or pamphlets of any kind distributed? Hussey and his messengers will do it for you with fidelity, as agreed upon, and with speed."

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Hussey and His Rivals—The following reference to Mr. Hussey's competitors was inspired by that gentleman, we assume; and the statement seems to be characteristic of Mr. Hussey who, it is easily surmissed, did not allow any undue sense of modesty qualify the tale of personal achievement: "Since the death of John T. Boyd, of Boyd's Post, Mr. Hussey has had no competition worth naming. At the time he first offered his services to the public, he had a supposed rival in the Metropolitan Errand and Carrier Post, which was just then started with a great flourish of trumpets; but, so great was the confidence felt by the business community in Hussey's integrity and energy, that he soon quite monopolized the business in this line; in less than a year's time his rival was forced to succumb and leave him master of the situation. Mr. Hussey is about five feet, eleven inches in height, dark complexion, with a full, well-trimmed beard. Though 54 years of age, he is as active and vigorous as a man of 30, and knows no such word as Fail. His action and speech are rather nervous. His manners are at times somewhat brusque, for with him 'Time is Money:' but he has a warm heart and a generous hand." Etc. Some years afterwards, Mr. Hussey died and the post that he originated, though still retaining his name, passed into control of Mr. Easson.

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Private Posts—The circular's reference to the Metropolitan Errand Company is authenticated by the catalogue and the scarcity of the stamps of the company, except the five-cent, is understood in the light of the short existence of the post. The reprints of the stamps are plentiful enough. As for the reprints of the Hussey stamps, they enjoyed the distinction of having been good for postage notwithstanding their character; they were in the class of the United States re-issues. The sole exception to this rule rested in the Hussey stamps of the type of Mercury on horseback. In the year 1866, many of the private posts were still in existence and at that time there was no law of congress that could be enforced for their suppression, even though each postmaster-general in his annual report was prone to recommend legislation by congress to effectually stop these private postal enterprises. In the report of the postmaster-general for the year 1860, the opinion of the court in the case of the United States *vs.* Kochersperger was included; the result was a compromise between the two contestants. In due time, these private expresses were legislated out of existence, as collectors know.

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120	" 24c green and violet.....	6.50	2.50
126	1875, re-issue, 6c blue.....	..	4.00
137	1870-71, 6c carmine, embossed ..	..	1.75
141	" 15c orange, " ..	..	3.25
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1365	1865, 6c purple on buff.....	.50	..
1371	1870, 10c brown on white	1.25	..
1393	" 24c purple on cream.....	1.50	.
1405	1874, 2c brown, Die C, on white	1.50	..
1414	" 24c purple on white.....	3.75	..
1416	" 90c carmine on white	1.25	..
1445	" 90c carmine on amber.....	3.00	..
1452	" 1c dark blue. Die A. on cream	5.00	..
1453	" 2c brown, " "	5.00	..
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8	" 4d olive gray.....	..	2.50
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10	" 1d orange brown.....	.40	..
11	" 2½d deep blue	2.00	2.00
12	" ½d on half 1d claret	2.00	1.50
	FINLAND		
44	1889-90, 5m green and rose.....	..	.85
45	" 10m brown and rose....	..	1.25
54	1891-92, 35k violet and green....	.50	.25
56	" 1r brown and orange ...	1.00	.40
57	" 3½r black and gray.....	..	2.50

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1007 4c " ..... .38
1008 6c " 1.20
1009 8c " 1.20
1010 9c " 4.75
1011 10c " ..... .48
1012 12c rose..... .70
1013 24c " 1.00
1015 48c " 4.00
1016 60c " 3.25
1029 1879 2c black ..... .12
1030 6c " ..... .22
1031 4c " ..... .16
1032 6c " ..... .32
1033 8c " ..... .40
1035 12c red 1.30
1036 24c " 1.30
1039 60c " 2.85
1052 1885 1c black ..... .10
1061 1894 1c " ..... .17
1062 2c " ..... .18
1063 4c " ..... .38
1067 24c pink..... 1.32
1075 1895 1c black ..... .10
1076 2c " ..... .37
1077 5c " ..... .80
1078 10c " margin 1.30
1087 1c " ..... .05
1088 2c " ..... .05
1094 $5 blue..... 7.00

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EUROPE.

France
1847 1fr vermilion, unused
" 1fr " used
" 25c blue, tete beche, used
1862 20c " " unused
1872 15c bistre, error pair, "
1876 20c blue, Type 1, "
Portugal 1853, 50 reis green, "
" " 100 " lilac, "
Azores 1868, 5 " black, "
" " 10 " yellow, "

Switzerland
Basle, 2½r carmine black and blue, unused
Geneva, 10c yellow green, "
" 10c " used
" 5c envelope used as adhesive
Zurich, 4r black, horizontal lines, used
" 4r " vertical lines, "
Federal Adm., 4c red & black, "
" No. 14, 2½r black & red, unused
" " 18, 2½r without frame, used
" " 19, 5c red and black, unused

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—B. O. Komorous & Co. after an absence of a few months from our columns, is again using regular space. The firm is making a specialty of auction sales.

—The Ouilmette Stamp Co. would like information in regard to G. W. Falls, whose last known address was 1108 Frick Bldg., Pittsburg, Pa. He cannot now be located.

—Clippings from G. W. Swinburne, Jr., Jos. L. Regensburger, Howard C. Bartlett, Mrs. Laura A. Pickett, Raymond Breunig, Cleveland Bundlie, W. T. Kuhn, C. H. Williams.

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Guatemala	No. 13,	o.g.,	fine,	cat.	$0.15	our pr.	$0.05
"	" 21-25,	"	"	"	.36	"	.12
"	" 109,	"	"	"	.05	"	.02
"	" 110,	"	"	"	.05	"	.02
"	" 122,	"	"	"	.35	"	.12
"	" 123,	"	"	"	.60	"	.20
"	" 136,	"	"	"	.03	"	.01
Honduras	" 111-115 used,			"	.16	"	.05
"	" 119-123 "			"	.16	"	.05
Jamaica	" 43,	"	"	"	.08	"	.03
Mauritius	" 46, o. g.,	fine,		"	.50	"	.18
"	" 111, used,	"	"	"	.18	"	.06
"	" 126,	"	"	"	.12	"	.04
Natal	" 80,	"	"	"	.05	"	.02
"	" 84,	"	"	"	.05	"	.02
N.Caledonia	" 45,	"	"	"	.05	"	.02
"	" 57,	"	"	"	.03	"	.01
Bolivia	" 40-46,	"	"	"	.33	"	.10
Brazil	" 180,	"	"	"	.06	"	.02
"	" 504,	"	"	"	.03	"	.01
"	" 505,	"	"	"	.03	"	.01
Br. Guiana	" 135,	"	"	"	.15	"	.05
"	" 136-139,pen can.			"	1.05	"	.20
"	" 143, o. g.,	fine,		"	.08	"	.03
B.Honduras	" 60, used,		"	"	.10	"	.03
Cyprus	" 21,	"	"	"	.12	"	.04
Curacao	" 36,	"	"	"	.08	"	.03
Cuba	" 353,	"	"	"	.12	"	.04
Dom. Rep.	" 123,	"	"	"	.05	"	.02
"	" 124,	"	"	"	.06	"	.02
"	" 167,	"	"	"	.06	"	.02
U. S.	No. 266 & 267, o.g.			"	.75	"	.25
"	" 266,		"	"	.50	"	.22
"	" 3040,		"	"	?	"	1.25

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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES.

Edited by HENRY A. KIDDER.

Any information regarding new issues will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Address HENRY A. KIDDER, 17 Addison Street, Arlington, Mass.

BERMUDA.—C. F. Heyerman reports having seen the 1d carmine stamp, same color and design as the 1908-09 stamp, with this difference in design, that the space at the top of the circle enclosing the ships and dock, and beneath the colored crescent under the title space, is only a white line in the earlier issue, while in the new stamp the white space measures a full millimetre. At the bottom of the circle enclosing the picture, the white space on the old stamp has been removed, the circle meeting the top line enclosing the space containing the value.

PAPUA.—M. Hale Jones, Jr., has shown us the current 2½d stamp, perforated with a large "O S" for official purposes.

ST. VINCENT.—Another change has been made in the new die for this Colony, specimens of the new stamps having been shown us by the New England Stamp Co. and Arthur P. S. Hyde. The change in the die consists in the addition of a period below the "D" in the shield containing the value. All the pence issues of Type A15 had this period, but when the first stamps of the new set were issued the period was omitted. This applies to the 1d and 6d only, as obviously no period could be expected on the 1sh stamp. The 1d, 3d and 6d of Type A16 have now appeared in the new colors, that is the 3d and 6d are in the new colors, all with the period.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The following names have been received by the secretary for office in the society for the ensuing year:

For President, Siegfried Schachne; for Vice President, Allen Forbes; for Secretary, S. M. Edwards; for Treasurer, J. N. Morse; for Executive Committee, Paul Lazarus, H. E. Deats and Alfred E. Fritz; for official organ, MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS.

S. M. EDWARDS, Sec.
ARGUSVILLE, N. D., Jan. 20, 1910.

AMERICAN ENVELOPE SOCIETY.

EDWIN F. SAWYER, Pres.; F. A. DODGE, Vice-Pres.; G. CARLTON RUSSELL, Sec., 38 Wellesley Park, Dorchester, Mass.; C. H. FOWLE, Treas., 36 Temple Place, Boston, Mass.; C. K. B. NEVIN, Sales Supt., 6 Beacon St., Boston, Mass.

The 32nd regular meeting of American Envelope Society was held at 813 Old South Building, Jan. 12, 1910, Pres. E. F. Sawyer presiding.

Reports of officers read and placed on file. The Secretary reports 58 members at the close of 1909, making a slight gain for the year.

Application of Wm. L. Aldrich of Brookline, Mass., for membership was acted upon and he was duly elected.

The following members, No. 29, No. 31 and No. 47 were dropped for nonpayment of dues.

Election officers. The Secretary was requested to cast one ballot for the following officers for 1910: President, E. F. Sawyer; Vice President, F. A. Dodge; Secretary, G. C. Russell; Treasurer, C. H. Fowle; and they were declared elected.

Adjourned at 9.40 p. m.
G. CARLTON RUSSELL, Sec.

NEW YORK STAMP SOCIETY.

Business meetings 1st Thursdays, exchange meetings 3rd Thursdays, each month, at Victoria Hall, 641 Lexington Av., 8 P. M. Initiation fee $1. Dues $1 half yearly. Visitors welcome. All communications are to be addressed to the Secretary.

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NEW YORK, Jan. 20th, 1910.

The 132nd meeting was called to order at 9 p. m. with President Wilford in the chair. This being an exchange meeting only the routine business was taken up, and that being quickly disposed of, the remainder of the meeting was devoted to stamps.

It is pleasing to note that both the character and number of the stamps offered for exchange or sale improves at every meeting, and the present standard insures everyone, both general collectors and specialists, an opportunity to obtain choice specimens, besides being able to dispose of their duplicates. Visitors are cordially welcome and invited to attend and participate in the exchange meeting.

The new officers working under the revised Constitution and By-Laws, have taken hold in a splendid manner and everything indicates a banner year.

HENRY J. DICKE, Sec.

RHODE ISLAND PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

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Meetings held every third Wednesday at Arnold Hall, 124 Washington St., at 8 P. M. Address all communications to the Secretary.

The 204th regular monthly meeting was held on Jan. 19th at 8 p. m. at 63 Washington St. Pres. Mowry called the meeting to order, 11 members and 1 guest present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. Several communications were read. Moved to lay letter from Phil. Literature Society on the table until a list of our library could be made up. It was decided, after much discussion, to omit the regular donation to the Educational Committee this year. Mr. Mason submitted the proof of the society seal and it was accepted, and the committee discharged with thanks. Mr. Mowry appointed the following nominating Committee: W. H. Congdon, chairman; G. L. Bokkitt, A. P. Hyde.

Several ideas regarding the 25th Annual Banquet were discussed. Meeting then adjourned. After the meeting the members enjoyed several philatelic jigsaw puzzles kindly loaned by Mr. Morris of Washington.

R. F. CHAMBERS, Sec.

3	Cayman Islands	1902, ½p green		.06
4	"	1902, 1p carmine		.06
5	"	1902, 2½p ultramar.		.25
6	"	1902, 6p chocolate		1.00
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Lot No.	UNITED STATES.	Cat.
1	1861, 5c buff, one straight edge	$7.00
2	1851, 1c type II, 2c used	.43
3	1857, 1c, type III, 2c used	.17
4	1861, 1c, 3c, 10c fine	.24
5	1862, 5c red brown, straight edge, perfs. missing	3.50
6	1862, 24c unused, no gum, off cent., fine	4.00
7	1869, 1c buff, heavily cancelled	.75
8	1869, 15c, unused, no gum, off cent.	6.00
9	1869, 30c blue and carmine, off cent.	3.00
10	1870-71, 2c brown, heavily cancelled	.18
11	1870-71, 2c brown, off centre	.18
12	1870-71, 15c unused, off cent., part perfs. missing at top	5.00
13	1873, 12c off centre, part perfs. missing at top	.50
14	1879, 15c unused, thin spot	.40
15	1879, 90c unused, beautiful copy, though slightly off centre	7.50
16	1890, 15c and 30c unused, fine	1.15
17	1890, 90c unused, fine	2.00
18	1902, 1c imperf. block of 8, with plate No.	..
19	1902, $1 used, fine	.40
20	1902, $2 used, fine	1.75
21	1902, $2 used, good	1.75
22	Interior, 15c	.50
23	Navy, 12c, tear at bottom	.50
24	Post Office, 6c unused, fine	.20
25	War, 24c unused, off centre	.35
26	War, 30c damaged	.50
27	Franklin Carrier, reprint	..
28	1875, News, 24c rose, corner clipped	..
29	1875 to 1883, News, 1c, 2c, 4c, 6c, 10c, unused	2.10
30	Dues, 10 varieties, used	.90
31	1895, Dues, 100, mostly 2c	1.00
32	Env. 1870, 3c and 6c on white, 6c on amber, unused, cut square	.53
33	50 mixed cut square Env., before 1887	..
34	Rev., 25c Entry of Goods, part perf.	1.00
35	Rev., 60c In. Ex., part perf., clipped at right	.60
36	Rev., $3 third issue, good	1.25
37	Rev., $5, third issue, good	.75
38	Rev., $10, third issue, good	3.00
39	Rev., 11 varieties, damaged, cat. over	1.10
40	100 mixed 1c precancels	..
41	McGreeley's Ex., Dyea-Skaguay, blk 4	..
42	Confederate, No. 200, used	.40
	FOREIGN.	
43	Aitutaki, Nos. 1 to 6, unused	1.00
44	Austria, 1907, Jubilee, 10 sets, 1 to 35h, 11 var.	1.90
45	Austria, News Tax, 1850, 2k, unused, rubbed slightly	1.00
46	Azores, 50r, No. 26, clipped at right.	1.00
47	British Bechuanaland, Nos. 10, 34 & 40	.28
48	British New Guinea, No. 1, block of 4, used	.48
49	Brunei, Nos. 13 to 23, surch. "Specimen", worth	2.00
50	Canada, 100 3c leaves	1.00
51	Cape Good Hope, 1853-64, 1sh green, point gone, otherwise fine	4.50
52	China, 1898, 100 1c	2.00
53	China, 1898, 100 2c	2.00
54	Congo, Nos. 14 and 15, unused	1.00
55	Corea, Nos. 39 to 46, unused	.81
56	Cuba, 1878, 100 25c, unused	3.00
57	Cuba, 1899, 2c, 60 in strips of 3	1.20
58	Cuba, No. 232, block of 4, unused	.32
59	Egypt, No. 609 to 613, unused	.57
60	Thurn & Taxis, 5 var., all badly dam.	2.58
61	Great Britain, 1867, 5sh, used	2.00
62	Great Britain, 100 Army Official, No. 379	3.00
63	Japan, 1899, 100 1½s ultramarine	2.00
64	Lagos, No. 17, unused	1.00
65	Malay States, No.1, 10 unused copies	.80
66	Mexico, 1899, 50c and 1 peso	.55
67	New Brunswick, No. 5, used, fine	1.25
68	Newfoundland, 4d lake, unused	1.00
69	Newfoundland, 1sh lake, unused	1.50
70	Newfoundland, Jubilee, complete used	3.81
71	Newfoundland, No. 72, used, fine	.50
72	Newfoundland, Nos. 78 to 86, used	.42
73	No. Nigeria, 1sh King, single CA, used pair	2.00
74	No. Nigeria, 1sh King, single CA, used strip of 3	3.00
75	Papua, No. 23, perf. 12½, worth	2.50
76	Persia, No. 89, unused	1.50
77	Peru, official, No. 369, used	.50
78	Portugal, 1895-96, 2½ and 5r, 100 sets	2.00
79	Portugal, 10 sets of 10 varieties	..
80	Rhodesia, No. 38, unused, fine	2.00
81	St. Helena, Nos. 50 to 55, unused	1.57
82	Seychelles, Nos. 33, 34, 35, 36, unused.	2.00
83	Seychelles, Nos. 50 and 51, unused	.55
84	Somaliland Protect., Nos. 1 to 4, unused	.38
85	Uruguay, Nos. 106, 146 and 153, used	.45
86	10 different auction catalogues	..
87	50 mixed stamp papers, no Mekeel's.	..
88	Scott's Catalogue, 1904 to 1909, indexed, some as good as new, bids accepted for single numbers	..

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AMERICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY—*Continued from Page 42*

DEATHS REPORTED.

3099. Kiefer, Alfred K., Detroit, Mich. Reported by Gen. Chas. A. Coolidge.

2595. Koch, Adolph, Chicago, Ill. Reported by E. S. Martin.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

3056. Watts, John S., from 432 Sansom to 114-116 S. 4th St., Philadelphia, Pa.

2552. Mitchell, Andrew S., from Milwaukee to Bureau of Chemistry, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, St. Paul, Minn.

2786. Kettlewell, Geo. P., from Santa Rosa to Calistoga, Napa Co., Cal.

3553. Osborn, C. F., from 4 Maple St. to Box 32, Norwalk, Conn.

2575. Wilson, J. R., from Cleveland, O., to Ampere, N. J.

2542. Kraus, Arthur H., from Lisbon Ave. to 1703½ Cold Spring Ave., Milwaukee, Wis.

2142. Beck, R. J., from Central Ave. to 1312 7th St., S. E. Minneapolis, Minn.

2436. Roterberg, A., from 176 to 151 West Ontario St., Chicago, Ill.

2204. Swart, W. G., from Curtis St. to 508 Commonwealth Bldg., Denver, Colo.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY.

Total membership Jan. 22, 1910,	1871
New stockholders,	4
Total,	1875
By death,	2
Total membership Jan. 29, 1910,	1873

Several members have written to the secretary requesting an electro of the society seal for use on their stationery, and when informed that the electro would cost 25 cents, some became indignant and wrote that the society should furnish electros to those members desiring them as it would help advertise the society.

The secretary desires to say just this, for the benefit of all members. These electros are sold to the members at exact cost to the society. If 100 members were furnished an electro free it would cost the society $25.00. What would it be if the entire membership demanded them under similar conditions. The secretary is regulated in this matter by the Board of Directors and must conform to their ruling.

The way some of the new members are hustling around and sending in applications ought to open the eyes of some of you old timers. Surely you are not getting too old to do a little hustling yet. Wipe the cobwebs off your specs and take another look for a live one. Perhaps he lives just around the corner, better go see him. It's going to take hustling by both new and old timers to reach the mark we have set for ourself this year. Had you forgotten? Why its—2000-1910.

H. S. ADAIR, Sec.

QUARTERLY REPORT OF SALES SUPT.

January 1, 1910.

Members of the A. P. S.:

I beg to submit below the quarterly report of the Sales Department for the three months ending December 31st, 1909, as follows:

2563 books in circulation Oct. 1st, priced at	$50,838.28
198 books received in October, priced at	4,118.94
189 books received in November, priced at	3,289.90
171 books received in December, priced at	3,127.36
3121 books, priced at	$61,374.48
509 books retired (sales $2,168.61), priced at	8,944.85
2612 books now in circulation, priced at	$52,429.63

Cash Report.

Cash on hand October 1st,	$4,966.30
Cash received in October,	526.90
Cash received in November,	632.14
Cash received in December,	547.44
	$6,672.78
509 books retired to owners,	2,168.61
	$4,504.17

The showing made during the above months is quite disappointing, but we hope that the year 1910 will show a satisfactory total when completed. In response to our recent call for fresh books to meet the demand of members, we are glad, to say that a large number of new books have come in, and the Department is now in a position to circulate among the members, both branch and individual, a very fine line of stamps at prices which are sure to please. We therefore urge all members not participating in the Sales Department, (one of the most valuable features of membership), to communicate at once with the Sales Superintendent, requesting to be placed on either "individual" or "branch" circuit. This is the time of year when we have the most desirable books to send out, and we trust that every member not receiving books will communicate with the Department.

We would call to the attention of collectors of blocks of four that there are in the Department several very nice circuits of blocks. Application should be made early by those desirous of being placed upon the circuit.

Members having desirable duplicates to dispose of should write for blank sales books, which may be had from the Sales Superintendent at 5c each,—fill them promptly and return them to the Sales Superintendent for circulation. Good U. S. postage stamps as well as foreign in fine condition seem to meet with the best sale. The catalogue number and value of each stamp should be given, as well as the net selling price. Those following this rule, and marking their stamps, reasonably, are sure to get very gratifying results.

The branch managers have been doing very good work, and we take pleasure in appending a list with the sales made through each thus far, during the fiscal year:

(1)	J. W. Haseltine, Philadelphia, Pa.,	$729.72
(2)	Don R. Bennett, Detroit, Mich.,	219.18
(3)	Chas. R. Morris, Washington, D.C.,	193.29
(4)	L. A. Van Toor, Milwaukee, Wis.,	156.64
(5)	J. F. Rust, Cleveland, O.	145.03
(6)	W. C. Emery, Springfield, Mass.,	68.57
(7)	A. W. Dunning, Newton, Mass.,	57.77
(8)	George W. Linn, Columbus, O.	56.48
(9)	Ross O'Shaughnessy, San Francisco, Calif.,	47.93
(10)	A. H. Weber, Berkeley, Calif.,	36.29
(12)	T. C. Mann, St. Louis, Mo.,	32.50
(13)	Harrie Mueller, Wichita, Kansas,	27.63
(14)	R. J. Mundell, Montreal, Canada,	17.18

Respectfully submitted,
PERCIVAL PARRISH, Sales Supt.

Approved:
F. R. CORNWALL, Chmn.,
CHESTER MYERS, Clerk.

SENT IN BY THE OBITUARY COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of the Detriot Philatelic Society, held December 29th, 1909, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, that, in the death of Alfred K. Kiefer, the society loses a valued and respected member and a genial friend who at all times had the best interests of the society at heart. And that his loss will be sincerely deplored and keenly felt by all our members.

A copy to be sent the family and published in the papers.—C. F. HEYERMAN, Sec.

Mr. Kiefer was A. P. S. No. 3099. He died Nov. 30.

JULIAN PARK, Chmn.

CHICAGO BRANCH REPORT.

The 281st regular meeting of Chicago Branch No. 1 of the American Philatelic Society was held on the evening of Jan. 12th, 1910.

President Whitaker called the meeting to order with sixteen members present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

The application of Mr. A. F. Van Order having been posted the required length, he was admitted to membership.

On motion of Mr. Iver R. Johnson it was voted to donate the sum of $5.00 to the Educational Committee.

On motion of Mr. Iver R. Johnson it was voted that the Chicago Branch in conjunction with the Chicago Philatelic Society invite the American Philatelic Society at Detroit to hold the 1911 convention in Chicago.

Mr. H. N. Mudge entertained the members with an account of his recent trip to Central America.

Meeting adjourned at 10.00 p. m.

Next meeting February 12.

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BOSTON, MASS., Jan. 29, 1910.

The 219th (informal) meeting of the society will be held in the Club Room on Tuesday evening, February 1, at 7.30 o'clock. The usual attractions will be found. Come and bring something of interest to show the others.

C. A. HOWES, Sec.

For additional society reports see preceding page.

U. S. UNUSED, O. G., 1890

No. 221	3c purple	$0.06
222	4c dark brown	.08
223	5c chocolate	.10
224	6c brown red	.11
225	8c lilac	.13
226	10c green	.15
227	15c indigo	.24
228	30c black	.45
229	90c orange	1.10

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Barker, Wm. S.	Jensen, C. W.
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King, Dr. W. W.	Corbaley, G. C.

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

As soon as your name has been published as an applicant you will probably have unsolicited selections of stamps sent you on approval. As a great many collectors object to this the Society desires to break the practice up. Please aid us and help protect yourself and others against further imposition, by holding such selections without purchasing therefrom until sufficient funds have been received from the sender to enable you to return the stamps to him by registered mail. Also please report to the Secretary of the Society the name of the dealer sending such unsolicited selections.

Woodworth, W. L., 921 Union Ave., Lakeport,N.H.; age 36; Cashier. References: C. W. Plummer; E. L. Crow; Hon. Henry B. Quimby, Governor N. H. Proposed by John M. Hubbard, No. 5.

Thomson, P. M., 36 N. Champion Ave., Columbus, Ohio; age 40; Grocer. References: Geo. K. Smith, Jr.; Geo. Ward Linn; H. S. Adair. Proposed by W. F. Savage, No. 3269.

Chase, W. R., Cattarangus, N. Y.; age 50; Agent Erie R. R. References: F. E. Johnson; Bank of Cattarangus. Proposed by Julian Park, No. 1869.

Haskell, Amos D., Box 42, Iloilo, Prov. of Iloilo, Phil. Ids.; age 36; Merchant. Reference: Hon. Wm. H. Taft, President U. S. Proposed by Edward Gowing, No. 469.

Hanson, Linwood E., Lieut. 26th Inf., Ft. Wayne, Detroit, Mich.; age legal; Army Officer. References: Commandant Ft. Wayne; The National Bank of Commerce. Proposed by Clyde B. Parker, No. 3692.

Ward, H. A., 839 Collins Ave., Pittsburg, Pa.; age 36; Contractor. Reference: German National Bank. Proposed by Fred'k Charles, No. 3668.

Conrad, H. V., The Kenmawr, East Liberty, Pa.; age 40; Mech. Engr. References: American Exchange Bank, N. Y. City; East Pittsburg Bank, Wilmerding, Pa. Proposed by W. O. Wylie.

Heiser, George, 136 W. 2nd St., Maysville, Ky.; age 16; Student. References: Model Laundry Co.; Bank of Maysville. Guaranteed by W. T. Heiser, father. Proposed by W. O. Wylie.

Whitney, George, Waterford, N. Y.; age 29; Teacher. Reference: C. L. Mead. Proposed by W. O. Wylie.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3718. Metz, H. F., Philadelphia, Pa.
3719. Turner, Maxwell W., Warren, R.I.
3720. Lockie, Jay Jesse, Riverside, Ill.
3721. Ross, Reuben W., New York, N.Y.

RESIGNATIONS RECEIVED.

2501. Ralston, Jack, 1316 Austin St., Huston, Texas.
3352. Scott, Chas., Box 41, Toronto, Canada.
2364. Baer, Dr. P. R., 2003 Fair Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

(Continued on preceding page.)

BARGAINS.

* Means Unused.

*British Central Africa 1892-95, Four sh on 5sh yellow	$2.20
*Brit. East Africa 1896, 1r carm. & green	1.00
Brit. S. Africa 1909 Rhodesia, 1d,2½&6d	.15
*Danish West Indies 1871-73, 4c blue	2.60
Australian Commonwealth Post. Due, 1903, 4 and 6d	.10
Post. Due, 1903, 2sh	.16
Western Australia 1902-06, 5d olive	.90
1902-06, 8d yellow green	.10
" 9d orange	.12
" 10d vermilion	.15
South Australia 1899-02, 1sh brown	.80
* 1899-02, 9d, 1sh, 2sh	3.70
* 1891-95 Service, 5 on 6d	.55
" " 5d violet, perf. 15	1.00
" " 1sh brown, wmk. SA	1.50
*South Bulgaria 1885, 10pa green	2.40
* 1885, 20pa rose	4.40
*Canton 1901, 5c dark green	2.00
* 1901, 5fcs lilac	4.90
* 1903-4, brown on azure 50c	2.00
* " 5fcs lilac	2.00
*China 1905, Five C. on ½c	5.85
*Colombia, Cauca, 5c red 1890	2.44
Belgian Congo 1908, Typographic surcharge, 10fcs	1.50
Elobey 1908-9, 05 on 3c red; 05 on 4c gr'n; Spanish Guinea 1908-09, 05 on 3c violet; 05 on 4c green Above two pairs	9.70
France 1877-80, 5fcs violet	.11
1898-90, 2fcs brown on azure	.06
*Gibraltar 1889, 5d gray	.90
*Brit. Honduras 1900, 50c on 1sh gray	3.90
Johore 1892-94, 3 on 4c; 3 on 5c; 3 on 6c; 3 on $1	.90
*Lagos 1904-06, 1sh, 2sh 6d, 5sh & 10sh	6.80
Martinique 1908, 2fcs pale gray	.28
Sweden 1891-04, 5kr blue	.30
Switzerland 1862, 1fc bronze	.45
Tasmania 1892-99, 2sh 6d brown & blue	.50
1892-99, 10sh lilac and brown	2.35
*Newfoundland 1857, 3d green	1.10
* 1857, 5d red brown	1.20
Transvaal 1902, 2sh yellow & slate, CA	1.00
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The officials state that a large "jury of awards" will be appointed. Any communication relative to the Exposition may be sent to the president of the Argentine Philatelic Society, Dr. Jose Marco del Pont, 1103 Casilla de Correo, Buenos Aires. Acceptance blanks must be returned not later than July 31.

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* 29	10 on 4 violet	.25	.12
* 33	6 black on 10 violet	.25	.08
* 34	6 red on 10 violet	.20	.08
* 35	5 on 3 brown	.15	.07
* 36	15 on 6 blue	.50	.20
* 39	1891, 3c brown	.30	.08
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*178	1905, 5 on 10c "	.25	.08
*308	1904, 5 on 10c "	1.75	.30
*362	1906, 1c green	.75	.15
*363	2c rose	.75	.15
*364	3c violet	.75	.15
*365	4c orange	.75	.15
*367	6c slate	..	.20
*501	Cabo 1c violet	.50	.10
*502	2c vermilion	.60	.15
*503	3c green	.85	.20
*504	4c olive	1.00	.20
*508	10c violet	1.25	.25
*511	20c brown	2.50	.40
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50c Surety Bond	3.90	.27	.04
60c Inland Exchange	.40	.24	.10
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WASHINGTON NOTES.

By Chas. R. Morris.

(This is a very newsy letter and will be read with interest. It will be noted that Mr. Morris quotes from report of Mr. Travers, a report that has much of interest to the philatelist and from which we shall hope to make a lengthy extract next week. The demands upon our space this issue preclude an earlier insertion. Ed.)

I have had a great many inquiries of late in regard to things that I think may interest others in the philatelic world and as I took considerable trouble to get authentic information I will give to all what I hunted up for a few.

I was asked if any other denominations than the ones and twos of the current issue had been printed with the new spacing on the plates. Yes, the fours and fives have been printed and plates of the other denominations have been prepared and will be printed from soon. Most of the sheets of imperforates are being printed from the old plates with the narrow spacing because it allows the special perforations to be applied without "bleeding" into the stamps, however, there have been sheets of the imperforates sent out to some offices that were printed from the wider spaced plates.

What are the numbers of the Green Special Delivery plates? The only plates that were printed from are 4916, 4917, 4920 and 4921. Plate 5207 was finished and a proof made from it for the records of the Bureau of Engraving but the other three plates of that set 5201, 5221 and 5230 were in course of preparation when the order came to discontinue them and they were never finished.

How did the imperfection noted on the two Hudson-Fulton stamps on plate 5394 occur? When this was called to the attention of the engravers at the Bureau, they were promptly answered, "Most likely it was due to a piece of lint or thread or in fact anything of that kind that could have adhered to the transfer roll, it is a curious fact that anything of that sort, that it would naturally be supposed would be crushed under the great pressure will make an impression on the plate and not be hurt in the least." The two stamps with this little ring are the third and fourth stamp in the upper left hand corner of the plate and were the third and fourth stamps laid on that plate.

In regard to the dots noted as being in the colorless circle on plate 5119 of the ordinary two cent stamp in a recent issue of this paper, it should be said that this is not the only plate on which this occurs. The error, if it may be so called, occurs on the transfer roll and wherever that transfer roll was used that little dot will be found. I know that it appears on plates 5115, 5120, 5127, 5128, 5133, and no doubt on others. As the number of stamps that will be printed from these various plates will amount to several million, this dot should not be taken too seriously.

I have been simply besieged with inquiries regarding the experimental paper stamps of the other denominations than one and two cent and I wish I could give some authentic information on the subject. I believe that sooner or later I shall be able to give something but just at present the officials of the Post Office Dept. simply say they have the matter under consideration and the officials at the Bureau say they have been requested to say nothing about them for the present. However, the letter published in this paper a couple of weeks ago from Mr. Travers, the Acting Third Asst. P. M. G., should be sufficient assurance that they have been issued and should be watched for. There is no telling where they will turn up. In this connection let me suggest that if anyone finds what they think to be these stamps that they proceed with caution in regard to advertising or even claiming that they have them. Let me quote from the report of Mr. Travers to the Postmaster General:

"The intaglio plate process by which our postage stamps are produced necessitates a preliminary wetting-down of the paper, which is bleached chemical wood stock. This wetting causes varying shrinkage, which has resulted in heavy waste from the cutting of the perforations into the stamp design. The Bureau of Engraving and Printing experimented with a paper made of about 30 per cent. rag stock, in the hope that it would show less shrinkage, but this paper did not overcome the difficulty, as it was found to shrink very unevenly.

"As the part-rag paper did not reduce the waste, the chemical-fiber stock will be continued for the present, 2 per cent. of china clay being added to improve the color and surface of the paper."

It is the addition of the china clay referred to that has given the stamps recently seen such a different look from the regular stamps we have been used to. Some collectors have mistaken them for the experimental paper stamps, but if compared with stamps known to be the experimental ones it will be seen that they do not have the bluish tinge necessary.

Some time ago it was announced in this paper that the new twelve was soon to appear and would be on a colored paper and that the ten cent was also to be re-issued on a colored paper and I even inserted an ad in regard to them and have had an enormous number of replies. When I advertised these stamps I had been assured that the 10s would appear about the middle of December and the 12s about the first of January. I now find that the Bureau is having trouble in getting the colored papers in the limited quantity that they wish, the contractors not caring to supply the watermarked colored paper in less than 10,000 lbs. lots which is far more than the Bureau wishes to buy for an experiment. I am inserting this in these Notes for the information of all as to the non-appearance of these stamps but I am doing it particularly for the information of those who sent to me for copies of these stamps and are wondering why they don't get them.

In the issue of Mekeel's for Oct. 9th, 1909, on page 341 I mentioned the fact of having persuaded the Post Office Dept. and the Bureau to sanction the putting of an "-09" on certain of the old blue Special plates so that the re-issue could be told by those specialists in U. S. stamps who desired to consider the re-appearance of these stamps after they had once been withdrawn, as a re-issue. These stamps are now beginning to appear and the "-09" will be found on the plates which I enumerated in that article. Even for the collector who isn't a deep specialist it is interesting to have a strip from some one of the plates with and without the -09.

For those interested in the study of I might mention that the cover design of these little books has recently been changed and now bears the Post Office seal on the front cover and a model form of address on the back cover with the domestic and foreign rates of postage on the inside covers.

It may be recalled by some what I said the early part of last year in regard to stamps in coils and the prediction of Mr. Ralph as to the ultimate doing away with stamps in sheets. Let me now quote what Mr. Travers says in regard to these in his annual report:

"* * * The rolls are made by cutting sheets of stamps into strips, pasting the strips together, and coiling them upon pasteboard coils one-half inch in diameter. This method is laborious and expensive, but is the best that can be done with present facilities.

"The demand for stamps in coils will increase. Usefulness of the coils is not confined to vending and affixing machines. It would be a great convenience if they could be produced in sufficient quantities to supply post-offices for retail sale at the stamp windows. The coils would also be a convenient form for sale of stamps to business houses for general purposes. I recommend that steps be taken looking to a change in the method of printing our stamps which will enable the department to provide this improved service."

To change the method of printing our stamps in order to carry out this recommendation will require an act of Congress and while this may not be put through this year, the growing demand for stamps in this shape is so strong that it is bound to come soon. What *will* the collector of mint blocks of four and the plate number fiend do then?

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We have Dr. A. R. Butler to thank for the favor of a copy of the above report from which we extract various items that will be read with interest. We quote the following sections:

STAMP BOOKS.

The number of stamp books issued was 20,185,880, or 10.83 per cent over the issue of 1908. The profit accruing from the 1 cent at which the book is sold over postage value of the stamps contained therein amounts, on this number of books to $144,357.06 after paying cost of manufacture. The grand total profit to the department from this source on the 118,561,097 stamp books issued since their introduction in 1900 is $819,198.32.

For the first time since their initial issue the number of books of twelve 2-cent stamps shows a slight decrease, amounting to 139,670. On the other hand, the number of books of 1-cent stamps more than doubled, the increase being 1,898,490 over the issue of 1908.

NEW POSTAL-CARD CONTRACT.

The contract for the manufacture of postal cards for the four-year term beginning January 1, 1910, has been awarded to the Public Printer. The formula fixing specified percentages of ingredients has been dispensed with, the new specifications simply calling for paper "made of bleached chemical wood or of material of equivalent quality, with not more than 10 per cent loading and mineral residue." This is a broad specification, which will obviate the difficulties and annoying controversies attending the enforcement of fixed percentages.

To meet a demand for a card of suitable size for card-index filing purposes provision is made in the new contract for a card 3 by 5 inches in dimensions, which is a standard size of index card.

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GOVERNMENT MANUFACTURE OF POSTAGE STAMPED PAPER.

In his report for the fiscal year 1908 the Postmaster-General suggested the advisability of government manufacture of stamped envelopes and postal cards. The contract recently awarded to the Public Printer for the manufacture of postal cards is an important step in the right direction. It is greatly to be hoped that some arrangement may be possible for government manufacture of stamped envelopes and newspaper wrappers after the current contract expires.

CHANGES IN POSTAGE STAMPS; SPECIAL ISSUES.

In the latter part of 1908 it was decided to change the designs of the regular issue of adhesive stamps, known as the "series of 1902." The past year has also been prolific in special issues. Descriptions follow:

Series of 1908.—For the sake of uniformity of artistic effect the head of Washington (a profile from Houdon's bust) was adopted as the subject of all the denominations except the 1-cent, which bears the head of Franklin (the first Postmaster-General). The border designs are identical on all the stamps, the head appearing within an ellipse on end, with laurel leaves on either side of the ellipse. Above the head are the words "U. S. Postage;" below it, the denomination. The size and shape of the stamps are the same as of the series of 1902. The denominations and colors are: 1-cent, green; 2-cent, red; 3-cent, purple; 4-cent, brown; 5-cent, dark blue; 6-cent, orange; 8-cent, olive; 10-cent, yellow; 13-cent, sea green; 15-cent, light blue; 50-cent, lavender; $1, dark slate.

Some of these stamps, particularly the green 1-cent, 8-cent, and 13-cent, the blue 5-cent and 15-cent, the purple 3-cent and lavender 50-cent, are not sufficiently distinctive, and a rearrangement of the colors is now under consideration.

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313	1 cent on 2c carmine	.10	.05
314	1 cent on 10c violet	.10	.05
317	5c on 12c slate	.40	.15
318	5c on 12c slate	.75	.30
321	6c on 12c slate	.10	.05
322	6c on 13c brown	.25	.10
323	6c on 12c slate	1.50	.60
325	3c on 13c brown	.15	.06
329	2c on 26c brown	.40	.15
330	3c on 26c brown	.40	.15
331	3c on 26c brown	..	.25
364	26c brown and black	.18	.08
365	50c orange and black	.35	.18
367	1c on 2c red and black	.10	.04
765	10c violet and black	.10	.04
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The $2 and $5 denominations are not represented in the series of 1908, as there is little need for these high denominations since the reduction of rates of letter postage to certain foreign countries, and the increase in the unit weight of international postage.

A marked departure was made in the special-delivery stamp of the series of 1908. It is described below.

Special-delivery stamp, series 1908.—Size, 1.01 by 0.84 inch; color, green. In the upper left corner is the denomination, 10, in figures inclosed within a circle. Running diagonally from the lower left corner appears an olive branch entwining the winged hat of Mercury. In the lower right-hand portion of the stamp is the inscription "U. S. Postage Special Delivery" in a rectangular panel.

This design is artistic, but many complaints were received from the public and from postmasters that letters bearing the new stamp were escaping special-delivery treatment on account of the altered shape, design, and color. It was hoped that as employees of the service became more familiar with the new stamp this difficulty would cease, but, on the contrary, it increased to such an extent that it was finally deemed imperative to resume the issuance of the stamp of the series of 1902. Post-office employees are so familiar with this latter stamp that it attracts instant attention and insures prompt service. The importance of the special-delivery service is such that in my opinion no change should be made in the stamp which by any possibility could tend to defeat its purpose.

The number issued of green special-delivery stamps of the series of 1908 is 3,876,551.

Twelve-cent stamp.—The registry fee having been increased by order of the Postmaster-General taking effect November 1, 1909, from 8 cents to 10 cents, the necessity arises for a postage stamp of 12-cent denomination to cover the registry fee and a single rate of letter postage. Such a stamp is now in course of preparation.

Discontinuance of 13-cent stamp.—This denomination was adopted in the series of 1902 to cover registry fee and a single rate of international letter postage. With the increase of the registry fee to 10 cents, the 15-cent stamp is the denomination suited to this purpose on registered letters dispatched to countries to which the 5-cent letter rate prevails, and the 13-cent stamp will be discontinued.

Lincoln memorial stamp.—On January 22, 1909, Congress adopted a joint resolution reading:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster-General is hereby authorized to design and issue a special postage stamp, of the denomination of two cents, in commemoration of the one-hundredth anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln.

Under this resolution a postage stamp was prepared and issued to postmasters in time for sale to the public beginning on Lincoln's birthday, February 12. Description:

Size and shape, the same as of the regular issue of postage stamps; color, red. The subject is a profile, within an ellipse on end, of the head of Lincoln from Saint-Gaudens's statue. A spray of laurel leaves appears on either side of the ellipse. Above the subject appear the words "U. S. Postage." Below, the ellipse is broken by a ribbon containing the dates of Lincoln's birth and of its one-hundredth anniversary (1809, Feb. 12, 1909), with the denomination in words (Two cents) beneath.

Alaska-Yukon-Pacific stamp.—To commemorate the development of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific territory, which was celebrated by an exposition at Seattle, Wash., this year, the department issued a postage stamp of special design, described as follows:

Size, 49-64 by 1 3-64 inches; shape, rectangular; color, red; denomination, 2 cents. At the top and bottom are panels containing, respectively, the words "U. S. Postage" and "Two cents." In the center the larger part of a circle rests on the lower panel and incloses a ribbon bearing the words "Alaska-Yukon-Pacific 1909," and in the center of the circle appears a portrait of William H. Seward, who as Secretary of State conducted the negotiations for the purchase of Alaska from Russia. The name "William H. Seward" appears under the portrait. On either side is an ellipse containing the Arabic numeral 2 with laurel branches as a background.

Hudson-Fulton stamp.—The tercentenary of the discovery of the Hudson River and the centennial of its first navigation by steam, which were celebrated this year, have also been commemorated with a special postage stamp. Description:

Size, about ⅞ by 1⅜ inches; shape, rectangular; color, red; denomination, 2 cents. At the top appears the inscription "Hudson-Fulton Celebration," with the years 1609 and 1909 immediately thereunder on either side. Below this inscription in a curved line are the words "U. S. Postage." At the bottom on each side is a prominent Arabic numeral "2," with the words "Two Cents" in a panel between the figures. In the center is engraved a picture showing the Palisades of the Hudson River in the background, with the **Half Moon** sailing up the river and the **Clermont** steaming in the opposite direction. In the foreground is an Indian in a canoe, and in the distance, just discernible, is a canoe containing four other Indians, the canoes representing the first means of navigating the river.

Stamps in Coils.

Recognizing that a field exists for stamp affixing and vending machines, and that coiled stamps are needed for the successful operation of many of these devices, the department has undertaken to supply stamps in coils in limited quantities. The coils contain 500 and 1,000 stamps, arranged endwise or sidewise, and are issued with or without perforations between the stamps, as preferred by purchasers. The rolls are made by cutting sheets of stamps into strips, pasting the strips together, and coiling them upon pasteboard cores one-half inch in diameter. This method is laborious and expensive, but it is the best that can be done with present facilities.

The demand for stamps in coils will increase. Usefulness of the coils is not confined to vending and affixing machines. It would be a great convenience if they could be produced in sufficient quantities to supply post-offices for retail sale at the stamp window. The coils would also be a convenient form for sale of stamps to business houses for general purposes. I recommend that steps be taken looking to a change in the method of printing our postage stamps which will enable the department to provide this improved service.

Unperforated Stamps.

Another new form of issue is the unperforated stamp. Certain types of vending and affixing machines cut the stamps apart instead of tearing them. Perforated stamps are not suited to

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such machines, and the stamps are issued in full sheets or in coils without the perforations. The denominations thus far issued imperforate are: 1 cent, 2 cent, 4 cent, 5 cent, series of 1902; 1 cent, 2 cent, 3 cent, 4 cent, 5 cent, series of 1908; 2-cent Lincoln; 2-cent Alaska-Yukon-Pacific; 2-cent Hudson-Fulton. The quantities from the initial issue down to October 9, 1909, are:

Series of 1902—1c, 5,015,500; 2c, 10,675,000; 4c, 10,000; 5c, 13,000.

Series of 1908—1c, 12,449,300; 2c, 25,905,000; 3c, 121,700; 4c, 311,700; 5c, 123,700.

Lincoln—2c, 1,273,900.

Alaska-Yukon-Pacific—2c, 422,660.

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Saving of Waste in the Perforating of Stamps.

The intaglio plate-printing process by which our postage stamps are produced necessitates a preliminary wetting down of the paper, which is bleached chemical wood stock. This wetting causes a varying shrinkage, which has resulted in heavy waste from the cutting of the perforations into the stamp design. The Bureau of Engraving and Printing experimented with a paper made of about 30 per cent rag stock, in the hope that it would show less shrinkage, but this paper did not overcome the difficulty, as it was found to shrink very unevenly. Some of the stamps printed on this paper, which was of a slightly bluish tinge, were issued to the postmaster at Washington, D. C., the quantities being 1,480,000 one-cent, 1,494,000 two-cent, and 673,000 Lincoln memorial. Some of the Lincoln stamps on the bluish paper were issued to other postmasters, but no record was kept of the quantity.

As the part-rag paper did not reduce the waste, the chemical wood-fiber stock will be continued for the present, 2 per cent of china clay being added to improve the color and surface of the paper.

The bureau has accomplished the desired result, however, by the use of printing plates having longitudinal margins of varying widths between the stamps. The width of the horizontal margins remains uniform, because the shrinkage is not perceptible with the grain of the paper (which is endwise of the stamps), but only across its grain. The shrinkage being greater on the outside of the sheets of paper than in the middle, the outside margins have been slightly widened to give more space for perforating. By this means the waste from imperfect perforation has been reduced from about 9 per cent to less than 1 per cent.

Stock of Postage Stamps.

The Bureau of Engraving and Printing has accumulated the largest stock of postage stamps in its history. The total amounts to considerably more than a billion of stamps. This is in marked contrast to former conditions, when it sometimes happened that shipments were so close to manufacture that stamps had to be taken directly from the perforating machines and packed for immediate shipment. The larger stock is advantageous in minimizing the danger of a shortage of postage stamps from any temporary failure of paper supply. Stocks of stamped envelopes and of postal cards have also been increased largely, affording the department a very considerable margin of safety.

Philatelic Demand for Postage Stamps.

The department profits very largely from the sale of postage stamps to collectors, as few stamps bought for this purpose are redeemed by the department in service. The collecting of stamps seems to be considerably on the increase. Large sums, even considerable fortunes in some instances, are invested in collections. The issuance of the new stamps of the series of 1908, the Lincoln, Alaska-Yukon-Pacific, and Hudson-Fulton commemorative issues, as well as of the various unperforated stamps, has apparently contributed in no small degree to the increased interest in philately, judging from the increasing inquiries and orders received from collectors and dealers.

Change in Covers of Stamp Books.

A change in the cover design for books of stamps is now in course of preparation. The old covers are exceedingly plain. The new ones will bear the department's official seal and will be artistically lettered. On the back cover will appear a model form of address.

INCREASE IN ADVERTISING RATES.

As will be seen by reference to our leading editorial the advertising rates of Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News will be increased Mar. 1 to a minimum flat rate of 15c per line.

While several reasons could be given for our taking this step, there are two especially strong reasons that have influenced our action.

During the past year our subscription list has grown steadily and substantially, until at the present time we are fast approaching the 7000 mark in actual paid-up subscriptions. We believe that the purchasing value of our subscription list is sufficient to warrant the slight increase that we propose to make in our rate.

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The Managing Editor.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Important Notice—The WEEKLY will raise its advertising rates on March 1st, 1910, to a minimum of fifteen cents a line; after that date, the flat rate will be fifteen cents a line instead of twelve cents as at present. At this time when there is so much uncertainty about how anticipated rulings by the postal department will affect publications enjoying second class rates and in view of recent orders of a somewhat radical nature, we shall not discuss the advance in any phase except that which appeals to the advertisers who use our columns. Latterly, we have been increasing our subscription list in a way that is unmistakable, and if we have not been so insistent in calling attention to this growth, as a spirit of publishing enterprise might warrant, it has been because we felt that results would speak more eloquently. There will be no disposition to rest on our oars and we shall achieve the goal of ten thousand subscribers if liberal advertising in the public press and a popular policy of the paper will accomplish it. The new rate becomes effective March 1st, 1910, but up to that day space may be engaged at the present rate, provided that such space be used prior to September 1st, 1910. For the past five months our advertising columns have been very much crowded and this condition has not escaped the notice of others than our readers. Any reduction in the volume of advertising will leave more space for reading matter. Further, we shall have the satisfaction of having conformed to all expectations of the post office department by this change, we think. We wish to certify to the courteous attention that we have received from the postal authorities and to record our appreciation of the reasonable attitude that has been taken, insofar as recent and impending legislation by the department has concerned the WEEKLY.

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Not a Stamp—A reader who months ago sent us a sketch of "Cushing & Bailey's Adhesive Envelope" stamp, suggesting that it was an unrecorded United States local stamp is now informed that the impression has no philatelic significance. The original of the picture sent in for inspection was cut from an envelope flap. We are able to confirm this statement through having found an envelope which bears the impression named above, as a tress on the point of the flap of the envelope, in four lines, surrounded by a pearled circle just inside a plain one. The envelope bears a three-cent, 1851, on the face of the envelope. About this time, 1851, or so, envelopes were supplanting letter sheets and it was not long before they were in use exclusively. The "adhesive envelope" under notice evidently was one of the first manufactured for general public use.

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Locals in 1872—On March 18, 1872, J. W. Scott, New York, held his first auction sale in London, England, at "No. 13 Wellington Street, Strand, W. C." The majority of the two hundred and seventy-five lots comprising the sale were United States local stamps and among them was "Boyd's City Express, unique, struck over a Pomeroy stamp," seven pounds and seventeen shillings having been realized for it. This was almost a record price; and we are curious to know whether the combination was anything more than the combination of the two stamps when, for franking, the Boyd's alone would have been sufficient. Occasionally, one finds a cover bearing one local used over another, when both emanate from the same town; and again when the first local was replaced by another, it was usually torn off the cover, leaving traces of it. For instance, the City Despatch, one-cent black was sometimes covered over by a Blood (Kochersperger) one-cent black. As showing how locals were esteemed in those days, it is to be mentioned that a "Blood's man stepping over houses, nearly unique," brought sixty shillings or as much as a "5c Brattleboro, upper right hand corner var., extremely scarce" realized.

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Watermark Variations—A. A. Kelson, in a recent letter, says that he noticed the remarks of G. B. Lighthall, partly referring to reversed watermarks upon the stamps of the 1895 issue, United States. He adds: "If of any interest to your readers I might mention that as long ago as 1897, I placed amongst others in my collection of United States stamps, a perfection copy of the three-cent denomination of the 1895 issue, watermarked sideways with the letter S."

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Nothing Startling—Theatrical note in a Chicago newspaper: "An idea of the size of some of the towns played may be gleaned from the fact that in one burg where she tried to buy a porous plaster, the druggist tried to palm off on her one which had an internal revenue stamp on it." It is characteristic of some to complain even when one tries to give them something for nothing; and it may be added, sotto voce, that there are drug stores in Chicago where the Spanish-American war revenues still festoon the wares.

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Further Light—The following interesting letter has been received from Fred G. Ross, Manager, Fritzi Scheff Opera Co.; evidently, Mr. Ross did not see the second reference to the subject in the issue dated January 1st, 1910: "The Jarrett & Palmer postmark has no philatelic value. In 1876, Jarrett and Palmer, who were the most prominent theatrical firm of that time, sent a special train direct from New York to San Francisco, which carried the late eminent tragedian, Lawrence Barrett, and a selected company, to produce Shakespeare's 'Henry, the Fifth,' at the California Theatre, in San Francisco. The trip was scheduled for five days, a remarkable run in those days. So hazardous did it seem, that the actors, alarmed at the possibilities, tried to insure their lives in advance; the insurance companies in equal trepidation, refused the risk. The arrival of the company, safely, at the Pacific Coast was deemed a circumstance of moment. No special mail clerk was on the train; the stamping undoubtedly was done by some one in charge of the company and the special form adopted for advertising purposes."

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Near Stamps—Mrs. L. C. Hooper, writes: "I notice that one of my British journals is received handstamped as follows: Postage Paid at Halifax, N. S., in circle, enclosing the date. It appears that this journal is sent out to Halifax, Nova Scotia, by ocean express, and postage paid at Halifax, where copies are distributed to other Canadian points." In speaking of the "postage paid in cash permits," our correspondent makes the point that the authorities call the impression a stamp in the warning notice under the permit are the words, "Anybody using this stamp," etc.

SOCIETY SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Our contracts with four societies, the Texas Philatelic Assn., New York Stamp Society, Washington Philatelic Society and American Envelope Society expired Jan. 1 and we shall discontinue all subscriptions at once.

If you are a member of any one of these societies and desire your subscription to MEKEEL'S WEEKLY continued, please remit to the society secretary your dues for 1910 and 50c additional for subscription to MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

It is probable that contracts with all these societies will be renewed, but in the future the payment for subscription to the official journal must be separate and distinct from the annual dues.

The above is in compliance with the recent postal ruling requiring discontinuance of the practice of receipt of society subscriptions in a lump form.

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Argentine '90 Teleg. 10c and 40c (226-227) (.85), **20c; Austria Jub.** 1907, 2kr **fine** (.20), **.07**; do. **good, .05**; **Austria** 1900, 1, 2 and 4kr, fine (.23), **.08**; **Hong Kong** 1903-07, 1c to $1.00 complete; **New Zld.** '82, 4, 8d and 1sh*, no gum (1.40), **.20**; do. 1900-'08, 8d, 2sh, 5sh **F. C.** (2.00), **.50**; **Papua** (large), ½d to 1sh* (no 4d) **set $2.50**; **Persia** '82; **1, 5, 10 francs, fine,** set .90; **Rhodesia, all F. C.** 1891, the 1, 2, 5 and 10 **pounds ($127.51), Set $2.71**; **do.** 1896-'98, 1, 3, 4, 5, 10sh and £1.0.0 ($13.68), **Set $1.78**; 1897, £2, No. 49a, **$2.25**; **do.** 1901, £1, 5, 10, 20 **($252.00), Set $4.93**; do. 1899, 1sh bistre (.20), **.05**; **Russia** 1902, 3½ & 7 rbl (.65), **.22**; U. S. Rev., II issue $1.30, $1.60, $1.90 **fine**, the 3, $10.40; $3.50 **fine**, $2.35. 2 pounds best Missionary mixture, 12,000 for. stamps only $1.00.

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Newfoundland	1866, 24c blue*	1.00	.48
	1876, 3c blue	.50	.17
"	1880, 5c lt. blue*	1.00	.32
	1890, 6c carmine*	.25	.12
"	1896, 3c blue*	1.50	.45
	1896, 2c green*	.25	.09
Transvaal	1904, 2, 3, 4, 6p, King	.24	.09
"	" 1sh black & brown	.15	.06
So. Nigeria	1904, ½, 1p	.13	.05
Straits	1904, 8c, 10c	.16	.06
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3051	$5.00 " "	"	.04	"	.06
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ECUADOR	
1905, 1c to 1 sucre, complete	.50
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1230	" 25c	.25
1241	" 35c	.15
1242	" 40c	.15
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1358	" 25c	.12
1359	" 30c	.15
1362	" 75c	.40
1363	" 1f	.75
1744	Zanzibar, 3a on 30c	.12
103	Indo Chine, 10 on 60c	.18
48	Madagascar, 10c on 5f	.30
53	" 15c on 75c	.08
59	" 10c on 50c	.06
12	Martinique, 1c on 4c	.12
6a	New Caledonia, 5c on 40c, inverted surcharge	.12
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THE STAMP MARKET.

By SENAX.

It seems that the 72h Austria, 1904, without the shiny bars is worth somewhere about 6d. Is this variety catalogued? Searching through a hundred copies all are found to have the shiny bars.

Australian Commonwealth Postage Dues seem in evidence at present, in some quantity, in places, right up to 5sh value, yet this does not imply reduced prices, for the figures quoted are fairly high. The 6d of 1902, with blank spaces at foot, should be a good stamp.

9d blue, New South Wales, 1904, is perhaps cheaper. Last week I saw the lowest quotation for this stamp yet noticed. The 9d Queensland, which is scarcer somehow, maintains its old figure.

The 2½d, 5d and 6d Tasmania pictorials occur to one as gradually becoming dearer, prices seem "pretty stiff" in some quarters. Double face value for the used 2½d may one day be its regular price. Somebody says the 6d value is obsolete. Is it?

A lower price for the 3d, 4d and 6d "long stamps" of South Australia has also been noticed; the 8d and 10d values, however, are not often quoted for in greater quantities than per dozen.

Where the price of a stamp stops short at the dozen rate it should be safe to buy, if the figure be moderate, for the absence of a price for any larger quantity is of course an admission of inability to supply any very large lot, and this comparative scarcity should give the stamp a better chance of finding. ready purchasers. This may be wisdom, or it may be not; the reader is free to judge. This being the festive season the writer is giving his intellectual faculties a brief rest, and all problems are barred till the middle of January.

2½d to 1s values of New Zealand, Queen's Heads, of 1882, seem to be steadily advancing, chiefly, perhaps, in the country of their origin, and doubtless the increase of local collectors is to some extent responsible for this. Time was when some of these were considered good penny stamps, but now—happy is the man who has a few hundred in reserve.

50c orange, U. S. A., of 1902, at a shilling a dozen should be a "snap," if the copies are good, but the quotation will probably not be seen again. Guessing, one would say that 3d apiece, or more, would be a fair price for this stamp at the moment, and the 1 and 2 dollar values of the same issue should be equally good in proportion.

Have seen a low quotation for the 1d rose, Fiji, 1906, a stamp possibly more plentiful than its predecessors.

5c blue and 10c brown, unpaids, of the general issue for French Colonies, are obtainable in places per 100, and should sell readily as being a trifle out of the ordinary for common stamps. A French correspondent can also usually supply odd copies of the higher values which have a fairly good catalogue status.

The 5c Canal Zone, 1906, seems to have accumulated by the hundred in many places since the day it was first given a price in the catalogue; the comparative ease with which this stamp is secured is found to lead to a demand for the 8c and 10c values, which are worth looking out for.

Some new arrivals are the 1½c, 15c and 20c Holland, 1908, the 15c being a good penny stamp for cheap sheets, and is a rather better stamp than the 20c. The red "4"" on the 4—on—6½c Postage Due is enticing; this stamp is priced 6d in one catalogue. Nice copies of the 22½c green Queen's of 1892, should be worth at least 3d each, while the 22½c King's Head of 1872, a desirable stamp, is hard to meet with.

Two underpriced stamps of the Dutch Indies seem to be the 2½c, Figures, 1883, and the 12½c grey of 1870. The 15, 20, 25 and 50c surcharged stamps of 1900 usually sell at their full catalogue price; indeed, a judge of values might not be far wrong if he appraised the 25c at 2d, and the 12½c at 3d. The 7½c of 1903 is seldom quoted for, though the 20c olive of the same issue seems slightly cheaper. "Buiten Bezit" are dearer than "Java."—*Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly.*

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1851, 2r orange, unused.
" " used.
1852, 2r red, unused.
1853, 3c bronze, used.
" 2r scarlet, unused.
" " used pair.
1854, 1r pale blue, bluish paper, used.
1855, 2r blue (error) with 1 real, "
1865, 12c perf. frame inverted, "

Spanish Colonies

Cuba, fine lot, blocks, etc.
Fernando Po, fine lot, blocks, etc.
Philippine 1854, 5c orange, unused.
" " 15c rose, "
" " 1r CORROS, "
" " 5c vermilion, "
" 1868-74, 1r violet, "
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		Cat.	Price.	Ours
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2c		5.00	3.25	2.40	2.00
3c		1.00	.60	.45	..
6c		1.00	.60	.40	.30
7c		3.00	1.70	1.40	1.25
10c		3.00	1.80	1.40	..
12c		4.50	2.60	2.15	1.00
15c		4.50	2.60	2.20	..
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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES.

Edited by HENRY A. KIDDER.

Any information regarding new issues will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Address HENRY A. KIDDER, 17 Addison Street, Arlington, Mass.

UNITED STATES.—Charles A. Townsend sends us a bit of news that will be welcome to the collectors of precancelled stamps. Akron, Ohio, has at last got into line with other cities, and will hereafter have its stamps overprinted from an electrotype plate instead of the familiar roll, with the letters sprawling all over the stamps. Mr. Townsend sends us a rough proof, showing that the new overprint is in two lines of nonpareil caps, about 5 mm. apart. The press used is evidently an ordinary newspaper proof press, the impressions to be made in the Postoffice as required. The very first order of the new type was for 150,000 stamps, 100 stamps being printed at a time. The Akron officials have been trying for three years to get this press, and have just succeeded. Mr. Townsend also sends us the "Ashland, Ohio," 1c precancel, inverted.

S. B. Kauffman sends us a pair of the current envelopes, with a combination of varieties which we have not previously mentioned. The left "2" has a white mark diagonally across its shank, while the "W" and "O" of "Two" are plainly joined by a white mark. Mr. Kauffman says he discovered these envelopes in a box from which all but about a dozen and a half had already been used.

Charles M. Breder reports having seen the 1c, precancelled "St. Louis—Missouri," with the overprint misplaced so that both rules come below the words. Mr. Breder also reports the 1c, Westgrove, Penna., precancel, with the overprint inverted.

William C. Webb writes that he has found the "secret mark" reported in No. 993 by Mr. Flick, as having been found on Plate No. 5119, on Plate No. 5155. Mr. Webb has 32 stamps with this mark, all from the lower left hand pane, and from the second, third, fourth and fifth vertical rows. The mark does not appear on the first row, and Mr. Webb is not certain as to its appearing on any other rows than those mentioned above. He thinks the stamps came from Minneapolis.

Willard S. Fuller has shown us a number of United States envelopes with freak varieties, including the following: 2c claret on white of 1907, with the hair cut square in front; several of the 2c envelopes of 1903, with certain variations in the word "Washington," including the "A" above the line, the "S" barely visible, "N" above the line, "G" above the line, dot in place of "N," and a red line across the printed portion of the stamp on a line with the Adam's apple.

Frederic C. de Puy sends us a copy of the current 1c post card, with the upper edge perforated. Has any of our correspondents ever seen this card used as a reply card?

J. Newton, Jr., reports having seen the 1c of 1902, precancelled Boston, Mass., but with the overprint so misplaced that only the three rules show on the stamp.

Frederic A. de Camp reports the current 4c stamp, precancelled "Minneapolis, Minn.," with the overprint inverted.

E. J. Benes reports the following precancels:

Lynn, Mass., 1c 1908, reading up in a square.
Minneapolis, Minn., 5c normal.
Philadelphia, Pa., $1 normal.

COLOMBIA.—S. B. Whitehead calls our attention to the fact that there is a third variety of the 5c of the 1904 gold issue, not mentioned in either Scott or Gibbons. Mr. Whitehead shows us a number of specimens, single and in strips, which bring out the varieties very plainly. Both are on Gibbons Type I of Type 96. All have both hooks turned inwards. In the normal variety, the white line under the figure of value, and outlining the round body of the "5" is thin and of even width. The variety discovered by Mr. Whitehead has this line of uneven width, swelling out to a width of nearly 1 mm. in the centre of the lower part. In the widest part is a very distinct but irregular line, constant in all the specimens of this variety submitted. These stamps are better printed than the others, and are in a paler shade of blue, while the perforations are regular and cleaner cut, the count being 12. The other type, which is that illustrated by Stanley Gibbons, has the line under the five, as described above as the normal variety, is of a dark muddy blue, and is perforated 12 horizontally and 11½ vertically, the latter being rough. Mr. Whitehead says that in a large lot of these stamps, the variety with the wide white line appeared to be the most common, the proportion being as about 4 to 1.

NICARAGUA.—The C. E. Hussman Co. reports having seen Scott's No. 218 with black surcharge instead of blue.

PORTUGAL.—The Frank P. Brown Co. was the first to show us the new series of stamps for Portugal, with portrait of King Manuel. We are not informed as to the date of issue, but presumably it was around Jan. 1. There are 14 values in the set of adhesives, as announced in No. 979, the values being given there correctly, though some of the colors must be modified. There are two designs, though the portrait is the same in both. The 500r and 1000r are printed in two colors, all the others being in a single color, though the 100r, 200r and 300r stamps are on paper with a colored surface. All the stamps are on coated or surfaced paper. The values from 2½r to 75r have the portrait in a circle below the centre line of the stamp, with "Portugal Correios" in a broad tablet around the top. The National Arms appear in a pointed shield in the centre of the top, with laurel and oak leaves at each side. The figures of value are printed in colored letters in irregular tablets in the lower corners, with "Reis" in white letters on a colored tablet between. Conventional ornaments fill the space above the figures of value. On the higher values, the figures of value and the word "Reis" are similarly arranged, though at the top of the stamp, the portrait circle being nearer the top, and the arms arranged on either side below the figures of value. The laurel and oak branches are arranged below the portrait, and are crossed by a broad ribbon containing the words "Portugal Correios." Below each stamp, in the centre just outside the frame, appears the name "A. Rego," but whether this is the designer, engraver or printer we are unable to say. The perforations vary, being 14¼ horizontally and 14¾ vertically.

We are also indebted to Q. A. Castro, the J. M. Bartels Co., and the New England Stamp Co. for specimens of the new stamps.

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AMERICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY—*Continued from Page 52*

COLUMBUS BRANCH No. 21.

The 75th regular meeting was held January 25, at the rooms of the club, President Mason in the chair. Twenty-one members and four visitors were present. The minutes of the 74th meeting were read and approved. Mr. P. M. Thomson was elected to active membership.

Committee on annual dinner made its final report and was discharged with a vote of thanks. A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Geo. W. Linn and W. M. Linn & Sons for the very handsome menu card which was furnished the club with their compliments.

The Auditing Committee reported that they had examined the books of the Treasurer and Secretary and found same correct.

Mr. H. S. Adair presented the library with a complete file of *The Philatelic Free-Lance*, published a number of years ago at Bellaire, Ohio, and a number of auction catalogues, for which he received the thanks of the club.

GEO K. SMITH, JR., Sec.

DETROIT, MICH., Jan. 15th, 1910.

Mr. H. S. Adair, Sec. A. P. S.,
Box 691, Columbus, Ohio.

In regard to the Detroit Philatelic Society Branch No. 25, American Philatelic Society: The society again assembled in October and proceeded to elect the following officers: President, General C. A. Coolidge; Vice-President, Dr. W. L. Babcock; Secretary and Treasurer, C. F. Heyerman; Sales Superintendent, Don. R. Bennett. A business and a social meeting are held each month. The local convention committees all report progress and many pleasant surprises can be expected by the American Philatelic Society members attending the convention. The keynote being "Give the American Philatelic Society a good time in a philatelic way," and we trust therefore there will be as little legal business to transact as is possible. Lively auction sales are held at each of the social meetings, which adds much to the interest. Some very fine collections have been exhibited. Any collector visiting Detroit on a second or fourth Friday, upon communicating with the Secretary, will be cordially invited to attend the meeting.

Yours truly,
C. F. HEYERMAN, Sec. D. P. S.

CHICAGO, Jan. 21st, 1910.

Mr. H. S. Adair, Sec. A. P. S.,
P. O. Box 691, Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Sir:—At the regular meeting of the Chicago Philatelic Society held on the evening of January 6, 1910, the following resolution was passed:

"On motion of Iver Johnson, seconded by Henry Ades Fowler, it was moved that the Chicago Philatelic Society formally extend an invitation to the American Philatelic Society at Detroit, to hold their annual convention in the City of Chicago in 1911."

Yours very truly,
HENRY ADES FOWLER.
Sec. Chicago Philatelic Society.

The New England Philatelic Association.

H. W. LEGG, Pres.; WILLIS D. KING, Vice Pres.; ALEX. P. BROWN, Sec. and Treas., 14 Longfellow St., Dorchester, Mass.; WM. G. BAIL, EDWIN F. SAWYER and CHAS. H. STONE, Governing Board; EDWIN F. SAWYER, CATANO FRATUS, Ent. Com.

The regular monthly meeting of the N. E. P. A. will be held at 28 School St., Room 1, Boston, Mass., on Tuesday evening, Feb. 8th, 1910. Meeting called to order at 8 p. m. Election of officers postponed from Jan. meeting takes place. All who can are earnestly requested to be present.

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Meetings first (informal) and third (regular) Tuesdays at Club Room 506 Kast Bdg., 7.30 P. M.

BOSTON, MASS., Jan. 18, 1910.

The 218th (regular) and annual meeting was held at the club room at 8 o'clock this evening with 45 members and friends present. The session opened with Pres. Green in the chair.

After the reading of minutes of the previous meeting, the President read his address, and the reports of the various officers and committees were presented. Most of these will appear in the WEEKLY in due course. The election of officers was then in order. Mr. Nevin withdrew his name, and Mr. Wylie's nomination was made unanimous by rising vote. The Secretary cast one ballot, electing Mr. Wylie as President, and he was escorted to the chair by Mr. Batchelder. After a short speech of acceptance business was resumed, the remaining officers, Governing Board and Library Committee were elected by one ballot, cast by Mr. Green, as follows:

Vice President, Frederick S. Cook; Secretary, C. A. Howes; Int. Secretary, J. M. Bartels; Treasurer, J. B. B. Smith; Supt. Sales, P. C. Kimball; Supt. Auctions, J. H. Lyons; Supt. Bourse, I. W. Risdon; Governing Board, J. C. Woolley, R. S. Burns, C. K. B. Nevin, L. L. Green; Library Com., C. K. B. Nevin, C. A. Howes.

The resignations of Nos. 426, 476, 495 and 502 were accepted.

The following were admitted to membership:

No. 513. Thomas Todd, Jr., Concord, Mass.

No. 514. Oscar B. McElhiney, Winchester, Mass.

No. 515. H. B. Seagrave, Cambridge, Mass.

No. 516. J. Harper Blaisdell, Winchester, Mass.

The Library Committee submitted the following:

Monthly Report for December.

There has been added to the Library by Purchase: British New Guinea, by F. J. Melville; Philatelic Record, Vols. III-XIII; Senf's Catalog of Entires for 1910.

Donation: Drew's 204-7-8-9 Sales Priced Catalogs from A. P. Brown; Scott Stamp & Coin Co.'s 165th Sale Catalog from New England Stamp Co.; Yvert & Tellier's Catalog for 1908, from C. A. Howes; Hawaiian Numerals, by Henry J. Crocker, from the author. and the current numbers of the following magazines, generously contributed by the publishers: Gibbons' Weekly, Mekeel's Weekly, The Stamp Journal, Scott Stamp & Coin Co. Circular, Berliner Briefmarken-Zeitung, Collectors' Journal, Hartford Philatelist, Carter's Messenger, The Postage Stamp, Redfield's Weekly and the Attleboro Philatelist.

A card catalog of the membership of the society has been placed in the box on the side of the bookcase by the Library Committee.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES K. B. NEVIN,
C. A. HOWES,
Lib. Com.

The amendment to the Statutes to reduce the dues of non-residents caused considerable discussion. Pres. Wylie called the Vice President to the chair and addressed the meeting on a communication from the Mekeel-Severn-Wylie Co. concerning the P. O. Dept.'s new regulations in regard to official journals, and how it would affect the payment of subscriptions and dues. After further discussion it was voted to refer the whole question of charges in dues and official organ to the Governing Board in connection with the Committee on Membership and the representative of the Mekeel-Severn-Wylie Co.

The following were dropped for non-payment of dues: Nos. 285, 411, 444, 488, 489 and 509.

The President appointed Messrs. Bartels, Howes and Rothfuchs as the Expert Committee.

Mr. Woolley announced that the Annual Jollification in February would be held in the club room; that Postmaster Mansfield of Boston would address us as well as Mr. C. H. Fowle ("Undooley"); and that Mr. Pack's famous collection of Canada would be exhibited. The hour set for the meeting is *7 p. m.*

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*364	3c violet	.75	.15
*365	4c orange	.75	.15
*367	6c slate	..	.20
*501	Cabo 1c violet	.50	.10
*502	2c vermilion	.60	.15
*503	3c green	.85	.20
*504	4c olive	1.00	.20
*508	10c violet	1.25	.25
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The exhibit for the evening was Mr. Pack's specialized collection of Uruguay. Like others of this gentleman's collections that we have seen, there is so much to say—that we can say but little. The "Diligencias," the "Montevideos," even in sheets, a wonderful tete-beche of the 120c blue of 1857, the inverted center 25c of 1895, and shades, varieties, blocks, sheets, original covers, were there in profusion. The evening was not a tenth long enough for examining the books. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the courteous exhibitor for the treat given us.

The meeting adjourned at 10.10 p. m.

C. A. HOWES, Sec.

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REPORT OF SECRETARY FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 5TH, 1910.

APPLICATIONS PENDING.

Everett, Russell C.	Corbaley, G. C.
Harrison, W. R.	Woodworth, W L.
Barker, Wm. S.	Thomson, P. M.
Hagerman, Herbert J.	Chase, W. R.
King, Dr. W. W.	Haskell, Amos D.
Brophy, T. S.	Hanson, Linwood E.
Antoine, Rev. P.	Ward, H. A.
Fanning, 2nd, Geo. W	Conrad, H. V.
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Feldhaus, Wm.	Whitney, George.

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

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APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Penichet, Dr. Francisco Monte, 366, (altos), Hanava, Cuba; age 32; physician. References: Bernando Alvarez y Cia; Circulo Filatelicode Cuba. Proposed by S. L. Israel, No. 3504.

Mason, Albert C., Franklin, Mass.,; age 41; Druggist. Reference: A. B. Chilson. Proposed by Stanley G. Chilson, No. 2798.

Flood, Donald, 13 Centre St., Waterville, Me.; age 14; Student. References: Waterville Savings Bank. Guaranteed by father, A. W. Flood, Coal. Proposed by H. A. Blackwell, No. 2041.

Storer, F. F., Bedford, Ind., R. R. No. 3; age 45; Draftsman. References: W. A. Brown; Bedford National Bank. Proposed by Chas. R. Morris, No.2629.

Macri, Alfred, 39 Broad St., New York, N. Y.; age legal; Stamp Dealer. Reference: Any Mercantile Agency. Proposed by J. A. Galbraith, No. 2954.

Clarke, Bates E., Kalamazoo, Mich.; age 29; Stationery & Books. References: City National Bank; Geo. P. Hopkins, A. P. S. No. 3622; Frank S. Barnes, A. P. S. No. 2847. Proposed by W. O. Wylie.

Leonhardt, Franklin C. S., 2205 N. 19th St., Philadelphia, Pa., age 19; Student. Reference: Albert Weider, Weider Bros., 10th and Wallace Sts. Guaranteed by father, Jas. F. Leonhardt. Proposed by W. O. Wylie.

Dewey, Chas. T., 425 Porter Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.; age legal; Structural Engineer. References: Fidelity Trust Co.; The Wm. Hengerer Co. Proposed by F. B. Griffith, No. 1836.

Smith, Thorn, 125 Langley Ave., Detroit, Mich.; age 38; Chemist. Reference: People's State Bank. Proposed by C. F. Heyerman, No. 3101.

James, F. P., 259 Bridge St., Corning, N. Y.; age 30; Civil Engineer. Reference: Fidelity Trust Co. of Buffalo. Proposed by Warren C. Tudbury, No. 3631.

NEW STOCKHOLDER.

3722. Cherry, Rev. C. Waldo, Troy, N.Y.

RESIGNATIONS RECEIVED.

2891. Caldwell, Hinton W., 137 Price St., Columbus, Ohio.
3018. Rhodes, Jas. M., Jr., 114 S. 4th St., Philadelphia, Pa.
2818. Kolesa, Edw. M., 1938 Delaware Ave., Norwood, Ohio.
2823. Schuster, E. J., St. Louis, Mo.
3399. Hull, John W., Taylor Bldg., Ottumwa, Iowa.
2358. Hoffman, Karl, 547 11th St., Milwaukee, Wis.
1222. Wolff, Ludwig, 1923 Berry Ave., Chicago, Ill.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

2566. Fritter, Leo, from Lexington Ave. to 51 N. 20th St., Columbus, Ohio.
2228. Herzstock, Wm., from 934 to 1933 S. Kedzie Ave., Chicago, Ill.
3247. Perkins, John U., from Smithsonian to 514 E St., N. E., Washington, D. C.
3397. Reed, C. E., from 5th St. to 519 S. 9th St., Council Bluffs, Iowa.
2972. Coes, Frank L., from Coe Block to Box C, Station B, Worcester, Mass.
2985. White, H. H., from Gennessee St. to White Memo. Bldg., Syracuse, N. Y.
2790. Dicke, Henry J., from 1st Ave. to 536 E. 89th St., New York, N. Y.
3285. McConnell, C. R., from Sheridenville, Pa., to Box 102, Alliance, Ohio.
3005. Sanderson, E. L., from Wayne St. to care Free Press, Detroit, Mich.
2802. Mehl, B. Max, from Box 826 to Box 976, Ft. Worth, Texas.
2191. Miller, John R., from 79th St. to 65 Central Park, West, New York, N. Y.
2412. Field, Horace A., from Ellijay to Marietta, Ga.
2140. Fleischer, E. A., from 6th St. to 8th and Chestnut Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.
2106. Lanz, H. W., from Jennings, La., to Box 362, San Bernardino, Cal.
3477. Hines, R. N., from Moccorito, Mex., to Hotel Sheldon, El Paso, Texas.

DEATH REPORTED.

2623. Wanless, Ernest, San Diego, Cal. Reported by E. S. Martin.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY.

Total membership Jan. 29, 1910,	1873
New stockholders,	1
Total,	1874
By death,	1
Total membership Feb. 5, 1910,	1873

Will the membership please notice that there are *seven* resignations on the list this week. Will the membership also please notice that it is their *duty* to *write* these members and urge them to stay with us. Don't say, "Let George Do It," but get a move on yourself. Do something worthy of membership at least. The officials of the society are few in number and it is up to the membership to help them retain these members that will drop out if not urged by *you* to *remain* with us. Try it once.

H. S. ADAIR, Sec.

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" " 129*	..	**23.00**
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7	Nyassa 1901, 2½-50r	.96	7.20
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4	1903, 1m to 5m, O. S. G. S.	.72	..

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FOREIGN NOTES AND NEWS.

By L. HARALD KJELLSTEDT.

The 10c on Blued Paper.—Gibbons' Stamp Weekly of Jan. 1 in announcing the current U. S. 10c on bluish experimental rag paper, relates that Mr. E. B. Power had secured two sheets of this heretofore unknown variety, and I understand that this limited supply was sold out in a very short time. A letter addressed to the Third Asst. Postmaster General failed to draw out any information as to the number of stamps of this value printed on the experimental paper and evidently none have been discovered since Mr. Power made his find. The writer is in receipt of a letter from a Western friend who relates that he spent hours in a large post office going over 1000 sheets of the 10c value without finding a single sheet of experimental paper. If 200 should prove to be all that came into the market in unused condition, those who secured copies at one dollar per copy have reasons to congratulate themselves.

Two Cent Hawaii.—It is not generally known that at the recent sale at Paris of the great Mirabaud collection, Mr. Philipp Kosack of Berlin bought the 2 cent Hawaii, Type I, for 26,000 francs, or a little over $5,000. With the exception that half of the outside heavy frame line has been sliced off at the bottom, the copy is beautiful and very lightly cancelled. The copy of this great rarity which came into the possession of the German Postal Museum about 5 years ago is of Type II, is very heavily cancelled and has the upper right hand corner missing. Mr. Kosack illustrates both copies in his publication, the *Berliner Briefmarken Zeitung*, and relates, without giving the name of the new owner, that the copy purchased by him has already changed hands.

The Poland Stamp.—In an article on "The Perforation of the Postage Stamp of Poland," which appeared in the publication referred to above, Mr. W. Swenson, an authority on the subject, informs us that the Polish stamps were not, as generally believed, printed at the Russian government printing office but were printed in the Department of Revenue stamps of the Kingdom of Poland. They were issued the 16th of March, 1860, and were officially withdrawn on the 13th of April, 1865. Documentary evidence shows that October 25, 1864, there were still 393,450 of these stamps on hand.

The Berne Exhibition.—The program and rules governing the International Postage Stamp Exhibition at Berne are to hand in the form of a 68-page booklet with covers. The exhibition will take place Sept. 3-12 of the present year and promises to be one of the best ever held. The list of honorary presidents is headed by the director of the international bureau of the Postal Union. The jury consists of the following well known philatelists: Messrs. E. D. Bacon, London; Dr. E. Diena, Rome; Hilmer Djurling, Stockholm; F. Hasler, St. Gallen; Hans Kropf, Prague; M. Langlois, Paris; Judge Lindenberg, Berlin; H. P. Manus, Amsterdam, and Baron de Reuterskiöld, Lausanne. On the "Committee of Honor" the United States are represented by the American Philatelic Society and Messrs. Geo. W. Worthington, Charles Lathrop Pack and L. Harald Kjellstedt. On the dealers "Propaganda Committee" we find Mr. J. M. Bartels of Boston.

The following little introduction is worthy of consideration.

"The publishing of its programme enables us again to invite philatelists to take part in and to visit the Exhibition. The Organizing Committee expect not only a large attendance of Swiss philatelists, but they also believe that, owing to its being held in the centre of a land so rich in the beauties of nature as Switzerland, a large number of visitors from all countries will attend and show their interest in it.

"We hope our Exhibition will show the progress of Philately in Switzerland during the last ten years, and we would desire that it should be the occasion of a meeting of the collectors from all countries, and thus assist the development of Philately and the good fellowship amongst philatelists both at home and abroad."

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

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This is our 23rd Sale, the fourth since fall, and the fifth is preparing. That's "going some".

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—"We only recently formed the Seattle Philatelic Club, but have started the new year in rather peculiar way. At our last meeting, we found ourselves minus our treasurer, B. Katcher, an empty treasury, and a few unpaid bills. But we are not discouraged, and can assure our ex-treasurer a warm welcome upon his return.—C. J. UTERMARK.

—The suffragists are to have a neatly printed label with which to carry on their "indirect plea" campaign. From clipping sent us by Cleveland Bundlie we learn that this label will be a little larger than the regular 2c stamp and printed in various shades of blue. In the four corners will be stars representing the four states where women are allowed to vote. Beneath a scale of justice are the words "Taxation without representation is tyranny."

—Ralph H. Graham sends us a lengthy clipping from the *Manitoba Free Press* of Winnipeg, "Hints on Stamp Collecting." In closing the article the *Free Press* states that it will be pleased to answer any inquiries concerning postage stamps and their collecting.

—From a clipping sent us by Henry A. Wahlborg we glean that government internal revenue department is considering a change in the present style of cigar stamps. The new stamp which is proposed would be 3⅝ inches by 2 9-16 inches. This stamp could be fixed to the upper portion of the box, extending over the front angle so that it would be broken when the box is opened. The government thinks this would be a neater stamp and allow the manufacturers to get up a more attractive box, as well as result in a saving and inconvenience over handling of the the present stamps.

—*The Michigan Farmer* for Jan. 1 has "The Romance of Penny Postage," by Chas. E. Jenney. It is an article of more than ordinarv merit, illustrated with reproductions of the Mulready envelope and a Wells Fargo & Co. "Pony Express" stamp.

—Some boys in Auburn, Maine, have formed the Laurel Avenue Philatelic Society. The secretary, Harold Cooper, informs us that it has its own official journal and proposes to do a good work amongst the stamp collectors of Auburn.

—A philatelist who is well informed and well able to correct the error made in the WEEKLY announces that the number of the 4c 1901 invert destroyed was 194 and not 234 as stated. This would allow of 206, including the Museum copy, as the total number in issue.

—F. J. Martin, Saginaw, Mich., sends us a picture of the stamp exhibit held in the local Auditorium last October, by the Saginaw Stamp Club. We regret that the demands upon our space will not allow of the use of a half-tone.

—Clarence V. Webb, Perry, Ohio, chairman of the S. P. A. recruiting committee, would be pleased to receive inquiries concerning the work of the association. This society is now in a very prosperous condition.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from G. G. Heinemann, W. W. Jewett, R. V. Burt, Walter J. Ossege, Dr. A. R. Butler and Edward Howard.

POSTAGE STAMPS IN ROLLS.

Milton P. Lyons, Jr., favors us with a circular issued by the Schermack Co. advertising what is called a "Natural Method Stamp Affixer."

This device has been manufactured to create a demand and use for postage stamps in rolls, the firm claiming that great speed can be secured in the affixing of stamps.

These stamps come in rolls of 500 or 1000 of either the 1c or 2c value, perforated and joined sidewise. The company offers the suggestion that ordinary strips can be used, though the rolls are much more convenient.

The attention given the matter of supplying postage stamps in rolls by the third assistant postmaster general would seem to indicate that we are but just entering in upon a new form of supplying stamps that will ultimately become very popular.

NEW POSTAL CARD.

By CHARLES R. MORRIS.

The Department will issue a new 1c postal card, known as the No. 4 card, described as follows:

"Size, 3¼ by 5½ inches (the same as the present 'McKinley' card.) The paper is of a light-blue tint, printed in bronze-blue ink. The stamp on the card is an ellipse on end. It contains a profile portrait of William McKinley looking to the left, with a background of horizontal lines and a border bearing the following words: 'U. S. Postal Card. One Cent. McKinley,' and on either side of the portrait, within the border, the numeral '1.' The legend 'This side of card is for the address only' appears in outline Gothic type, within a horizontal panel of double lines, above the middle of the card, on a line with the bottom of the stamp."

The new card will be issued in sheets of 16 when so desired for printing purposes. The sheet cards will be furnished in boxes of 10,000 only. Purchasers of cards in sheets should be advised that to be valid for postage they must be cut to regulation size—3¼ by 5½ inches.

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223	" 5c "	?	.50	1.50	3.00
238	1893, 15c green	.50	.20	.50	1.00
239	" 30c Columbian	.60	.40	.90	1.80
240	" 50c "	.85	.60	1.30	2.60
241	" $1.00 salmon	2.75	1.65	3.40	8.00
252	1894, 2c carmine	.40	.15	.40	.80
266	1895, 2c type II	.50	.15	.35	1.00
266 & 267, two of each		1.50	in a block		1.00
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No.		Single.	Blocks
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302	3c purple	.05	.20
303	4c brown	.07	.25
304	5c blue	.08	.30
305	6c lake	.10	.40
306	8c slate	.12	.48
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We shall discontinue the listing of auction catalogs, price lists, etc., such as have been previously included under this heading. As we have made it a practise to refer to such only when sent us by advertisers using WEEKLY space it will be readily seen that no injustice will be done any of our patrons. On the other hand, we shall free ourselves from justifiable criticism upon the part of those who do not press us for complimentary mention.

THE MANAGING EDITOR.

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OUR GREECE SPECIAL.

We thank our friends one and all for the kind words spoken concerning our Greece special. We do not know when we have issued a special number that has met with so warm a welcome.

Our next effort will appear Feb. 26, our "one thousandth" issue, and elaborate preparations are being made that it shall have permanent value. It will have our prize cover design, very appropriate and very pretty, while the literary matter will be of a high order.

All in all these are lively days in the office of the WEEKLY and if we neglect to notice any fraternal courtesies its because we are too busy.

THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Awards—We have made the following awards in our contest for cover design for our one thousandth number, to be issued Feb. 26: First prize, Mr. B. W. Bradshaw, Cleveland, O.; second, Mr. F. Prescott, St. Louis, Mo.; and third, Mr. Geo. W. Unger, Columbus, Indiana. In making these selections, we find it necessary to fortify our position by citing some of the conditions under which the contest was held. We said that the prizes were to be conferred according to the judgment of the publishers and that practicability and adaptability would be consulted in making the choice; and that first prize would be given to the person whose idea or sketch was used even though it might not be so finished a production as some of the other entries. The idea to be presented by the design was to be the union of philately and the millenial number of the WEEKLY. From the artistic view-point, Mr. Prescott's work is the strongest but as Mr. Bradshaw's design was chosen for the cover, it is he who is named first of all. We congratulate the three gentlemen and the fact that we intend to use all three designs in the course of time proves our belief in the merit of the drawings. We have been surprised at the number of clever and impressive ideas that have been submitted by our readers, as when we announced the contest, it was not thought that it would attract the generous attention and inspire the intelligent effort that it has. We think that all our readers will commend the convincing and unconventional treatment of his theme by Mr. Bradshaw. To all those who entered the artistic competition, we return our heartiest thanks.

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Play Stamps—In 1865, there was a suggestion made that a necessity existed in connection with the various stamps then in use in this country for "teaching to our youth their use and application to banks, custom-houses, railroads, post-offices, pawnbrokers, and, in fact, as stamp tax to every trade, business, and department of government." The idea was not unnoticed by several of the commercial colleges and actual stamp departments were established in them, "and mock-banks, custom-houses, steamboat-offices, post-offices, etc., are fitted up for the purpose of familiarizing youth with the use of stamps in the various mercantile and governmental departments of the country." Usually, these stamps approximated the design of the regular stamps and in due time, the use of anything of the kind was denied by the authorities.

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Stock Story—For almost the hundredth time, we read of a dress made wholly of postage stamps worn at a masquerade or fancy dress ball by a young lady who is the cynosure of all admiring eyes. Sometimes the costume is worn at an occasion in this country; then again, Paris is the scene, and Bermuda is often selected as the locale of the ball; in fact, according to the newspapers, the stamp dresses have been worn in nearly every habitable portion of the globe. The idea of a dress made of postage stamps as a costume for use at a masquerade or ball was first adopted in Chicago about the year 1889, when P. H. Dilg, well known as a philatelist in those days, suggested the novelty's use to a young female relative, who won much applause by her philatelic impersonation. At the time, P. M. Wolsieffer referred to the success of the young lady, in a philatelic publication and since then, many references have been made to ball dresses of stamps in the newspaper press; the subject seems to strike a responsive chord in the managerial breast and almost at any time, there is a newspaper clipping at hand for the use of the philatelic editor, if he finds it necessary to fill in.

Original Tale—Now that we have placed the responsibility for the modern stamp dress story on P. M. Wolsieffer and consequently have made him a marked man to be shunned by his fellows, we shall go back to another era and tell of the prototype of the story of to-day. The first story had a great popularity for a number of years and many a chuckle was caused by it during the depressing days of the civil war. Here is the story as related in 1864: "By the Sonora, a few days since, says a Californian correspondent, some two hundred of Uncle Sam's orphans arrived, and were distributed around. Some were sent to Fort Alcastra, some to the barracks at the Presidio, and the remainder were quartered at Benicia barracks, preparatory to being assigned to the different companies of the regiments in this department. They will soon be scattered from Oregon to that most delightful post, Fort Yuma, in Arizona,—a place where they have to put rocks on the roofs to keep the ends of the boards from curling over like little dogs' tails. They have a little fun even in that awful place sometimes, and an officer was telling me the other day of how he lost his postage stamps. He had sent up here for twenty dollars' worth, and had left them on his table. Now, the habits, manners and customs thereabouts are considerably on the free-and-easy style, and the Indians are allowed to roam around the garrison *ad libitum*, if they behave themselves and do not steal. On this occasion, a young squaw, who had the run of the quarters, and was very much at home anywhere and everywhere, happened to stray into my friend's room, and, seeing the postage stamps, began to examine them with great curiosity. She discovered that they would stick if wet, and forthwith a happy idea struck her. Now the fashionable dress of the ladies of her class in that warm climate is of the briefest description. She was ambitious to dress up and excite the envy of the other Pocahontases. So she went in on the postal currency, and, much to the astonishment of the garrison, made her appearance presently on the parade-ground, entirely covered over with postage stamps. She was stuck all over with Benjamin Franklin and the Father of his Country was plastered all over her ladyship's glossy skin indiscriminately, regardless of dignity and design. The 'roar' that greeted her, from the commanding officer down to the drummer-boys, was loud enough to be heard nearly at head-quarters in San Francisco; but, Indian-like, she preserved her equanimity, and did not seem at all disconcerted, but sailed off with the air and tread of a genuine princess, while my friend rushed into her quarters to discover himself minus his twenty dollars' worth of postage stamps, and that what was intended for the mail was appropriated by the female. She might have been put in the overland coach and gone through; she certainly could not have been stopped for want of being prepaid."

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Another—In addition to the "Cushing & Bailey's Adhesive Envelope" tress, mentioned in this column last week, there is "Lipman's Adhesive Despatch Envelope" tress, which when cut from the flap of the envelope is more likely to be mistaken for "a hitherto undiscovered Local" than the one first named. These envelopes were used about 1850, when the new convenience for letter enclosure was a novelty; a year or two later, envelopes were used almost by everybody in this country.

Price in ( ) Scott's Cat. * Unused.

Argentine '90 Teleg. 10c and 40c (226-227) (.85), **20c; Austria Jub.** 1907, 2kr **fine** (.20), **.07**; do. **good, .05; Austria** 1900, 1, 2 and 4kr, fine (.23), **.08; Hong Kong** 1903-07, 1c to $1.00 complete; **New Zld.** '82, 4, 8d and 1sh*, no gum (1.40), **.20;** do. 1900-'08, 8d, 2sh, 5sh **F. C.** (2.00), **.50; Papua** (large), ½d to 1sh* (no 4d) **set $2.50; Persia** '82; **1, 5, 10 francs, fine,** set .90; **Rhodesia, all F. C.** 1891, the 1, 2, 5 and 10 **pounds ($127.51), Set $2.71; do.** 1896-'98, 1, 3, 4, 5, 10sh and £1.0.0 ($13.68), **Set $1.78;** 1897, £2, No. 49a, **$2.25; do.** 1901, £1, 5, 10, 20 **($252.00), Set $4.93;** do. 1899, 1sh bistre (.20), **.05; Russia** 1902, 3½ & 7 rbl (.65), **.22;** U. S. Rev., II issue **$1.30,** $1.60, $1.90 **fine,** the 3, $10.40; $3.50 **fine,** $2.35. 2 pounds best Missionary mixture, 12,000 for. stamps only $1.00.

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	94 punched	Cat.	$0.75	$0.10
	98 "	"	.60	.08
	108	"	.75	.20
GRAND VIEW, WASH.	138	"	.05	.01
	149	"	.05	.01
	171	"	.06	.02
	301, 2, 3, 5	"	.41	.12
	307, 10, 11, 13	"	.30	.09
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Want Lists

The bulk of my mail business is by "Want Lists." You will find it a very satisfactory way of filling up with stamps you want, provided you can get them at satisfactory prices.

Some collectors have an idea that they have to pay more if stamps are asked for on a want list, than if bought from approval lots. Perhaps so with some dealers.

The opposite rule applies with me, as I should ask more for stamps if I made up a general lot for approval, the chances of a fair sized sale being smaller than if only stamps wanted were sent.

I send the stamps on approval if in stock to A. P. S. members and others giving satisfactory reference, and if price or condition not satisfactory you have only to return.

I do not solicit want lists limited to stamps cat. under 10c but can usually supply some on lists of stamps cat. 2c to $1.00 or higher of any country, particularly 19th Century at attractive prices.

F. W. REID,
1549 Arapahoe St., DENVER, COLO.

$2.00 Canada Jubilee Only 62c

A few nice copies at this special price. Order early.

		Cat.	Price.	Ours
Canada	50c Jubilee		.35	.17
	$5 "		4.00	2.50
"	5, 8, 10, 15, 20c Jubilee*		2.20	1.18
	1908, 15c orange		.35	.17
Newfoundland	1866, 24c blue*		1.00	.48
	1876, 3c blue		.50	.17
"	1880, 5c lt. blue*		1.00	.32
	1890, 6c carmine*		.25	.12
"	1896, 3c blue*		1.50	.45
	1896, 2c green*		.25	.09
Transvaal 1904, 2, 3, 4, 6p, King			.24	.09
" " 1sh black & brown			.15	.06
So. Nigeria 1904, ½, 1p			.13	.05
Straits 1904, 8c, 10c			.16	.06
Nyassa 1901, 2½ to 300c, beauties			1.33	.45

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"	" 41 to 43a	"	.09	.04
"	" 60, 15c purple & black	"	.12	.04
Cuba	" 221 to 226, 7 stamps, o.g.	"	.98	.36
"	" 227 to 231	"	.18	.07
"	" 232, o. g.	"	.08	.04
"	" 352, 10c orange, S. D.	"	.20	.08
Curacao	" 36, 12½c deep blue	"	.08	.03
Dom. Rep.	No. 34, 1r carmine	"	.25	.09
"	" 119, o. g., 1p brown	"	.25	.09
Gt. Britain	" 95, 6p violet & carm.	"	.50	.20
Guatemala	" 26, 27, 28, 30, o. g.	"	.50	.13
Mauritius	" 111, 15c green & or'ge	"	.18	.07
Natal	" 96, 1£ ult. & black, Rev. can.	"	4.50	.65
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UNITED STATES.—Herman W. Boers reports having seen a private mailing card, sent out by a Detroit firm, having the regular form of paid permit, No. 132, 1c.

We have been shown by the Hussman Stamp Co. a piece of cover bearing the circular shaped inscription "Pittsfield Mass" in capital letters with "5 cents" in the centre, all in red. In addition there appears on this marking in black what seems to be "J. H. P." and the letters "P. M." though the letters are not plainly decipherable. Any information will be welcome.

A. F. Van Order sends us a paid permit, New York No. 520 which was originally printed 1c, and has been overprinted a large "2" in green ink.

E. W. Murray sends us a cover having one of the current 1c stamps which was mailed at Argenta, Arkansas, having been precancelled with an ordinary dating stamp, apparently one of the receiving stamps formerly in use. Mr. Murray also sends a St. Louis 1c precancel, which shows something in the nature of a double strike.

E. W. Murray corrects Mr. Post's statement that the National stock yards are at Chicago. They are situated at East St. Louis.

Cecil W. King reports having the current 1c St. Louis precancel, with overprint misplaced so that part of the letters are missing.

J. B. Schuette sends us a copy of the current 1c, precancelled "Longmont, Colo.", between two lines, reading up.

Frederic A. de Camp reports having seen the following precancels:

St. Paul, Minn., 4c, 1908, reading up.
Minneapolis, Minn., 4c, 1908, inverted.

A. C. Roessler reports having found a mint block of 10 stamps of the 10c Jefferson, showing the secret marks on eight stamps, and lacking it on two stamps, said to be the first time such a freak has been discovered.

William C. Rhodes shows us a block of the current 15c stamps on the experimental paper. Mr. Rhodes says: "I have positive knowledge that the Bureau of Engraving and Printing issued and distributed these stamps prior to Oct. 1, 1909. Undoubtedly most of them have been used for postage."

N. Cobe has shown us the new printings of the Special Delivery stamps. The plate numbers thus far seen are 5240, 5243, 5244 and 5245. All have the date thus, "5240—09." Former printings had no date. The new printing is on thinner paper, and there is a material change in the shade of the ink, the latest issue being a more pronounced ultramarine.

N. Cobe calls our attention to the fact that the current 5c has been seen on a thin paper of a slight bluish cast. This is distinct from the so-called "experimental" paper.

E. F. Roy sends us a freak in the shape of a "Prov., R. I." 1c precancel, with the overprint misplaced so that "I" "R" appear in the upper corners, the double line below being continuous and extending across the stamp.

C. J. Utermark reports finding the dot in the white circle, reported in No. 993 by Mr. Flick, on Plate Nos. 5128, 5147, 5148. This peculiarity occurs on the five outer vertical rows of the lower left panes.

A. Strauss reports the following precancels: St. Louis, 4c, 10c and 13c, 1908. The 13c appears to be on experimental paper.

BELGIUM.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the complete set of King Leopold stamps, 10c to 2fr, from a recent importation, all the colors and shades being slightly changed. The 10c is a brighter red; the 20c a lighter shade of olive, almost olive bistre; the 25c is a paler blue; the 35c is nearer mauve than

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Mr. Schachne reports changes in the current cards as follows: The headlines on the 5c now measure 48-25½ and 72 against former measures of 47-25 and 70. The footnote is now 99½ against 98. The most noticeable change on the 10+10c is the headlines—there are now three instead of five and these three are the 1st, 2nd and 5th on the previous card—both message and reply. This makes it a local instead of U. P. U.

Post Cards.

5c light green on yellowish; var.
10+10c carmine on light blue; T. 3; 3 headlines.

BERMUDA.—Scott catalogues the 4d multiple under 1906, as brown orange and blue, but adds a question mark to indicate some doubt. The query seems to have been entirely justifiable, as the New England Stamp Co. has now shown us the stamp and we find the frame to be of an entirely different color from that stated above. It is printed on ordinary multiple paper.

Adhesive.

4d violet brown and pale blue.

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.—Mr. Schachne informs us that the card, Senf No. 6, was issued about a month ago on white instead of buff. This is rather noticeable as it has the Queen's head stamp as formerly.

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CONGO.—A new set of stamps is now appearing, four of the lower values having been shown us by the New England Stamp Co. The general design is the same as the previous issue. The principal changes consist of the addition of the Flemish words, "Belgisch-Congo," to each of the stamps, and the changes thereby made necessary in the arrangements of the value. For instance, on the 5c, the Flemish words take the place of "5 Centimes" at the bottom, the displaced inscription being arranged on curved tablets at each end of the centre opening. In the 10c value, the Flemish words appear at the bottom, the principal other change being the substitution of "10" for "DIX" at the ends, thus doing away with the celebrated "DIN" error. In the 15c, the Flemish words take the place at the bottom formerly occupied by the value. The word "Centimes" being worked into very small curved tablets below each circle containing the figures of value. The 25c value has the French name of the country in the curved line at the top, in the place formerly occupied by the value, while the Flemish words are printed at the bottom. The value, "25 Centimes" is placed at each end of the stamp in the space formerly occupied by conventional ornaments, and in the new form act as supporting pillars to the main arch. The central pictures are the same as before and are all printed in black.

Adhesives.

5c yellow green and black.
10c carmine and black.
15c ochre yellow and black.
25c blue and black.

We have received from Mr. Schachne a variety of the overprint on the cards of a year ago, these last being very roughly printed—probably handstamped—instead of press work. Same letter, size and location as formerly.

He also sends the first of the new issue which are very similar to the former in every way except the name is changed to "Congo Belge" both in the headlines and upper section of the stamp.

Post Cards.

10c red on buff; var. of surch.
15c orange on pale buff; var. of surch.
10c red on buff; new.
15c orange on pale buff; new.

CUBA.—The long promised series of stamps has at last appeared, the complete set having been shown us by the New England Stamp Co. The list of portraits was correctly given in No. 989, but none of the advance announcements gave the colors correctly, with one or two exceptions. The stamps were engraved and printed by the American Bank Note Co., and are in the later style of that house, suggesting the work done for Peru and Panama. The 50c of 1905 appears in new colors, but without change in design, but the others are all new. All of the stamps, except the 50c, have "Republica de Cuba" and "Correos" at the top, with the figures of value in the lower corners and the value in words between. The 1c also has the figures of value repeated in small shields near the top. There are as many designs as stamps, and the effect is excellent. The special delivery stamp is also printed in two colors, the small circle containing the boy on bicycle being moved to the left, to allow room for a similar circle containing the portrait of Gen. J. B. Zayas. The figures of value appear at the ends, "Republica de Cuba" being printed at the top, and "Diez Centavos" below the vignettes, while a long tablet runs across the lower part of the stamp, with the words, "Entrega Inmediata." All the stamps are printed on unwatermarked paper, and perforated 12.

Adhesives.

1c dark green and purple; Bartolome Maso.
2c dark red and gray green; Maximo Gomez.
3c purple and blue; Julio Sanguily.
5c blue and green; Ignacio Agramonte.
8c dark olive green and violet; Calixto Garcia.
10c black brown and dark blue; Mayia.
50c purple and black; Antonio Maceo.
1p blue black and black; Carlos Roloff.

Special Delivery Adhesive.

10c orange and blue; bicycler and J. B. Zayas.

INDIA.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 25r stamp, announced some time since.

Adhesive.

25r blue and orange brown.

PAPUA.—Philip Wolff has shown us the current 1d on Crown A paper, with the watermark sideways. This is the first value reported thus. The paper and gum of this 1d stamp are both whiter than the 2d, and the paper is a little thinner.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 30c stamp in new colors, the design being Type A14.

Adhesive.

30c violet and orange.

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92	**Natal** 1902-03, 2sh 6p	2.25	1.25
16	**Northern Nigeria** 1902, 1sh	1.50	.75
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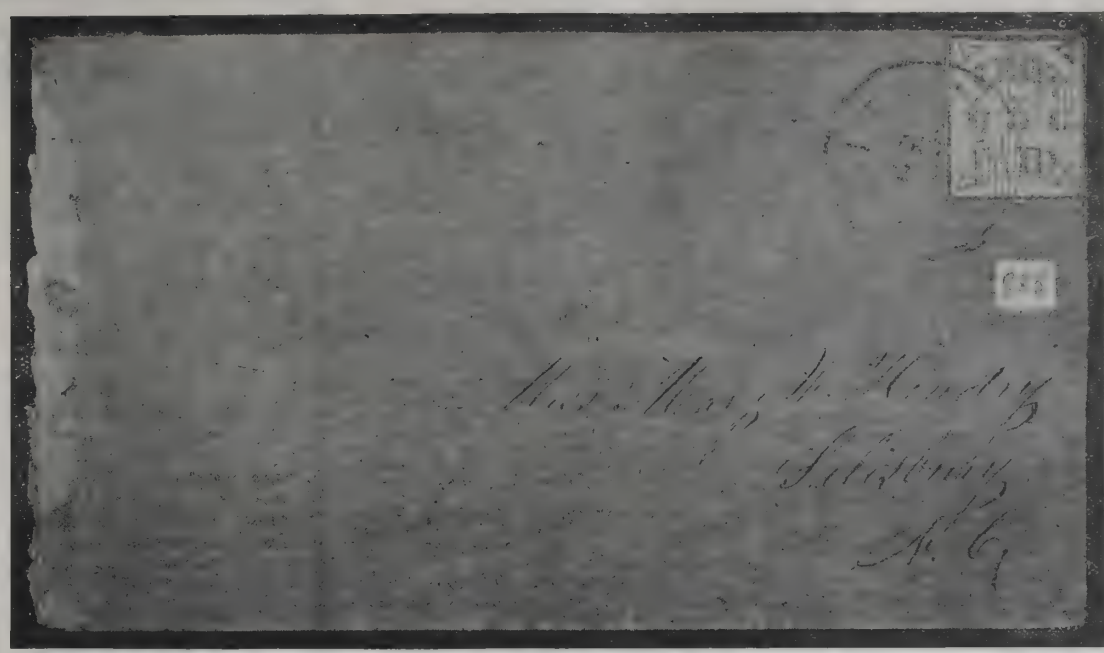

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AMERICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY—*Continued from Page 60*

W. H. Barnum be nominated on the Cleveland Branch ticket, as secretary to take the place of H. S. Adair, who does not wish re-election. Other nominations will follow later.

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The 220th (regular) meeting and Annual Jollification will be held at the club room on Tuesday evening, February 15th, at *7 o'clock*.

The program as arranged by the committee is as follows:

(a) Exhibition, Canada, Mr. Charles Lathrop Pack. Explanatory talk by Mr. C. A. Howes.
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(d) Exhibition, Springfield Stamp Club.
(e) Refreshments, Seiler, Caterer.

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New York, Feb. 3, 1910.

The 133rd meeting was called to order by President Wilford at 9 p. m., with 22 members present. New member: Emil Reichert, 422 Winthrop Ave., Astoria, L. I. City. The resignations of Messrs. Negreen and Conrad were accepted with sincere regrets. The February number of *Billikins Magazine* was received with favorable comments. The matter of subscriptions to Mekeel's Weekly and Official Journal was laid on the table until next meeting. Several other communications were read and acted upon.

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APPLICATION FOR REINSTATEMENT.

1416. Cowan, Robt. E., 867 Treat Ave., San Francisco, Cal. Proposed by Wm. J. Gardner, No. 105.

RESIGNATION ACCEPTED.

3294. Lucas, Chester H., Portland, Me.

RESIGNATIONS RECEIVED.

3174. Smith, Walter M., 468 3rd East St., Salt Lake City, Utah.
2710. Dimick, Geo., Shreveport, La.
3142. Miller, Miss E. C., 1437 Spruce St., Philadelphia, Pa.
3077. Denison, J. D., Terre Haute, Ind.
3406. Cincinnati Branch No. 29.

DEATHS REPORTED.

2161. Heller, Herbert, New Castle, Ind.
3119. Thomas, D. C., Abingdon, Va.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

3526. French, R. D., from Equitable Bldg. to 54 Board of Trade, Louisville, Ky.
2541. Muller, Wm. V., from Merchants' Nat'l Bank to 1321 Chapel St., Cincinnati, O.
2243. Rath, Henry G., from Jamaica to 208 Madison Ave., Flushing, L. I., N. Y.
2130. Lewis, Chas. F., from Central Ave. to 125 Lyon St., San Francisco, Cal.
2748. Iwan, Adolf, from Straetor, Ill., to 1643 Prairie Ave., South Bend, Ind.
1330. Betz, H., from Ackroyd Ave. to 1 Cannonburg Road, Jamaica, N. Y.
2700. Reinhardt, Gust L., from Jackson St. to 249 16th St., Milwaukee, Wis.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY.

Total membership Feb. 5, 1910,	1873
New stockholders,	6
Reinstated,	1
Total,	1880
Resignation accepted,	1
By death,	2
	3
Total membership Feb. 12, 1910,	1877

The secretary would be glad to receive information regarding the proper address of Member No. 1406, Mr. Wm. L. Richard. Can anybody supply it. Letters addressed to him at Havana, Cuba, Hotel Brooklyn, are returned to writer. Let's all plunge in now and make a record.

H. S. ADAIR, Sec.

OFFICE OF TREASURER.

OMAHA, NEB., Jan. 31, 1910.

H. N. MUDGE, President,
H. S. ADAIR, Secretary.
American Philatelic Society,

Gentlemen:—The following report shows the condition of the Treasury on January 31st. Inasmuch as none of my regular monthly reports have been published, I would suggest that this be so disposed of.

Stock Fund.

Receipts:		
Bal. from H. G. Smith,	$3,354.66	
Disbursements:		
Rejected applicant (Wallis),	1.00	
Balance,		$3,353.66

General Fund.

Receipts:		
Interest on Bonds,	$ 50.00	
Dues received in September,	87.60	
Dues received in October,	164.00	
Dues received in November,	63.10	
Dues received in December,	353.50	
Dues received in January,	670.68	
		$1,388.88
Disbursements:		
Balance from H. G. Smith (Deficit),	$435.98	
Vouchers to date,	654.33	
		$1,090.31
Balance,		$298.57

Insurance Fund.

Receipts:		
Balance from H. G. Smith,	$1,411.38	
Received from Sales Supt.,	185.49	
		$1,596.87
Disbursements:		
Vouchers to date,		$309.75
Balance,		$1,287.12

Exchange Fund.

Receipts:		
Balance from H. G. Smith,	$45.60	
Balance to date,	7.40	
Balance,		$53.00

Summary of Balances.

Stock Fund,	$3,353.66	
General Fund,	298.57	
Insurance Fund,	1,287.12	
Exchange Fund,	53.00	
		$4,992.35

Resources.

Bonds (face $2,500.00),	$2,612.34	
Cash,	2,380.01	
		$4,992.35

Respectfully submitted,
W. P. WHERRY, M. D., Treas.

CLEVELAND BRANCH No. 30.

At the meeting of the Cleveland Branch, American Philatelic Society, Feb. 3rd, 1910, the following members were present: Whittaker, Rhodes, Kendel, Waterbury, Hanford, Langdon, Weigel, Gussett, Scharmschmidt, Good, Beatty, Foote, Wood, Moses, Crowell.

The motion was made and carried that

(*Continued on preceding page.*)

BARGAINS.

* Means Unused.

*1890	Br. East Africa ½ on 1d, 1a on 2d, 4as on 5d	$21.30
*1897	1rup dark blue	1.20
*1903-4	4as green & black	.30
*1900	Abyssinia 2g sur. Ethiopie in vlt.	.90
*1905	.05 on ¼g, No. 53	.35
1878	Brazil 1000r grey violet	.25
*1896	Ceylon 2c green, No. 9	.30
*	25c yellow bistre	.30
*	30c violet & brown	.30
*1904	China Post. Due ½c brown	.40
*	Post. Due, 20c blue	.25
*	" 30c blue	.25
*1897-1900	Germ. China 5pfg on 10 rose	1.30
*1889	Curacao Post. Due 40c	.15
*	Post. Due 50c	.20
*1893	Diego Suarez 75c and 1fc	.45
*1904	Dominican Rep. 10c green & blk.	.25
*1903-06	Ecuador 1c on 20c grey	1.00
*1904	Ecuador 1c on 1s blue	1.20
*	3c on 5c grey	.20
*1904	Ecuador 3c on 20c grey	.60
*	3c on 25c yellow	.80
*1861-62	U. S. Confed. States 2c green	1.50
*	Confed. States 5c blue	.45
1893	U. S. A. $4 carmine	3.40
	$5 black	4.00
*1879-80	Fiji 5sh black and rose	1.30
*1905	Grenada 10sh green and lilac	6.00
*1900	Br. Honduras 50c on 1s grey	4.00
1906	Japan 1½s blue	.12
1908	Natal 1sh blk. on green	.12
	5sh red and green on yellow	1.00
	10sh vermilion on green	1.60
1891-97	Netherland 5g bronze green & red brown	1.20
	10g orange	3.00
1895	Transvaal 10sh brown	.60
*Newfoundland 1866-71, 24c blue		.22
*Rio de Oro 1907-08, 2c on 2p orange		1.20
*	1907-08, 10c on 50c	1.50
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" " 25c oblong	.02
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REVIEW OF THE YEAR.

(The following report presented by Pres. L L. Green at the annual meeting of the Boston Philatelic Society is deserving of a wide reading as an interesting resume of philatelic happenings in 1910.—Ed.)

The year 1909 has become history. We as a society have arrived at another mile-stone in our existence. It is well, therefore, that we pause for a moment to review the incidents of the past year which appeal to us as philatelists.

We first turn naturally to the doings of the postal authorities of our own country, who have given us three distinct issues of one stamp each to add to our collections: the Lincoln memorial or centenary stamp, the Hudson-Fulton stamp and the two cent advertisement of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition. While we may condone, if not welcome, the issuance of the two first named on account of the historic and patriotic interest which attaches to the events which they commemorate, we must regret that the P. O. Dept. should continue to lend itself, as it does by the issuance of the Alaska stamp, to the furtherance of private enterprises.

The important postal change of the year has occurred within a few weeks, when the Department has sought to overcome in a measure the deficit in conducting its affairs by advancing the registration fee to ten cents; thus creating the advisability if not necessity, of issuing a twelve cent stamp, which we are promised in the near future. We are also assured that the thirteen cent stamp will be discontinued.

New issues the world over during the past year appear to be somewhat less numerous than in the year preceding. Among the countries which have added to their postal emissions may be mentioned Russia, Liberia for public and official use, Abyssinia, Peru, Switzerland, Ecuador, Southern Nigeria, Australian Commonwealth, Italian Levant and others. Among the "others" Nicaragua and Paraguay provide food for thought as well as for the specialist. British Colonials are also gradually appearing clothed in the raiment prescribed by the mother country, and in the near future we shall undoubtedly miss the familiar likeness of King Leopold on the stamps of Belgium.

The necrology of the year includes the names of several prominent philatelists. Among American collectors, Mr. Moser, best known as the possessor of the finest Japanese collection in the world, and Mr. Seybold, famous for his original covers, have gone to join the vast majority. But the most widely known of all who have passed on is Mr. E. J. Nankivell, the eminent philatelic editor, writer and collector. His influence for good in the cause of philately has been great. I shall always remember the pleasure experienced in reading his London letter which used to appear in the columns of the *American Journal.*

Among the publications of the year, that of our fellow-member, Mr. Henry J. Crocker, on the numeral issues of Hawaii, takes high rank and directly appeals to us, as it treats of the issues of an American territorial possession, issues which until recently have been but little understood and appreciated. The typographical excellence, the illustrations of the various re-constructed plates, and sumptuous binding, all combine to produce a work which is a delight to the eye; while the information imparted will be welcomed by all students of this fascinating country.

Mr. Bellows' work on the stamps of Campeche baffles description. While the subject matter cannot directly appeal to many, dealing as it does with an issue of which only eight or ten copies are known to exist, it is at once unique, original and æsthetic and must be seen and read to be appreciated.

The first series of eight volumes of Mr. Melville's hand-books has been completed, and fills a want long felt by stamp collectors for hand-books, which are at once reliable and inexpensive. We look forward with pleased anticipation for the appearance of the second series which is promised for the coming year.

There has quite recently appeared a work on the General Issues of the United States from the pen of Mr. E. B. Power, one of our own members. I have not yet seen this book, but it is said to be a book of great utility to the moderate specialist in this country.

Exhibitions have been held the past year at Amsterdam, where many famous collections were on view and which brought honors to one of our own members,—at London, where members of the Junior Society showed United States stamps under the auspices of the Golden West Exhibition,—and at Manchester,

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*Bermuda '93, 1s olive bistre, No. 24, mint	..	.36
oBrazil 1906, 5000r rose, No. 185, fine	1.00	.50
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1905	Chili, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 30c and 50c...	.15
1905-7	**Dom. Rep., ½, 1, 2, 5, 5, 10, 10 & 20c**	.15
1907	Ecuador, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 20 and 50c.....	.15
1908	" **triangular, 1, 2, 5, 10 & 20**	.25
1909	" Jubilee, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10 & 20c.....	.25
1902	**Guatemala, 1, 2, 5, 6, 10, 12½, 20, 50, 75, 1 and 2 pesos**	.25
1907	Honduras, 1, 2, 5, 6, 10, 20, 50 & 1 peso	.30
1909	**Nicaragua, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 20, 50 and 1 peso**.....	.35
1907	Peru, 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 12½, 20, 50c & 1 sol..	.30
1909	" 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 12½, 20, 50c & 1 sol..	.30
1905	Salvador, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 12 & 13c.....	.12
1907	" 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 12 & 13c.....	.12
	" **Unpaid 1, 2, 3, 5 & 10, mint**	.40
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1907	**Venezuela Official, 5, 10, 25, 50 & 1 bol, cat. 69c**.....	.20
1909	**50c Peru Official**	.20
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where was also held the first Philatelic Congress of Great Britain. For the coming year, the societies of Switzerland announce the holding of an international exhibition at Berne.

The convention of our National Society held at Atlantic City in August was the most successful in its existence, and was marked by enthusiasm, harmony and a record attendance. Many important matters of legislation were enacted and distinct progress made toward increased stability in organized philately.

The past year has seen the dispersal of several wonderful and valuable collections, notably the Mirabaud, Avery, Paul, Bruner and Seybold properties. For the former of these in its entirety, $200,000 was refused, the second named was purchased for $120,000 by a dealer. When we see the confidence with which all these were purchased and the spirited competition resulting in advancing prices when disposed of at auction, who can doubt the wonderful hold which philately has on the hearts and affections of its devotees and the durability of the foundation upon which our hobby is builded.

Let us turn now to a brief consideration of our home affairs. With no disparagement to former committees, I may say that this society has had the benefit during the past year of the services of an entertainment committee unusually efficient and unusually productive of results. Through their endeavors and enterprise we have had the privilege of viewing many wonderful aggregations of stamps, among which may be mentioned the Panamas and Transvaals of Mr. Worthington, the Gambias of Mr. Sawyer, the New Zealands of Mr. Pack, the African British Colonies of Mr. Luff and the Scandinavians of Mr. Ackerman. These have all been at once things of beauty to the eye and inspiring examples of the extent to which intelligent specialism can be carried. Aside from the fraternal instinct which draws us together at our meetings, I believe that we come here to see stamps, and that exhibitions whether competitive or otherwise should continue to be made one of the features of our regular meetings. Those of our informal meetings which I have been able to attend have been occasions of much enjoyment, and pervaded by an atmosphere of sociability and good fellowship which has been quite delightful. The feature of these meetings is the auction sale and our genial auctioneer has had frequently to work overtime to dispose of the prodigality of the offerings. In my opinion he usually succeeds in getting full value for the material offered. Some of the prices obtained, if judged from the proper view-point, are startling. Eight per cent of the selling prices of several lots combined will usually yield a commission which is visible to the naked eye and large enough to be represented by a coin of the realm. But everybody has a good time.

Our Society Library continues to grow and flourish and we hope that the number of volumes may be considerably augmented during the coming year. The gratitude of the society is certainly due to the various committees who have had this work in charge, and to their future efforts I trust you will lend your hearty coöperation.

I need not weary you, gentlemen, by a further rehearsal of the affairs of the society or of its needs. I have no specific recommendations to make. Several committees have been appointed who have under consideration important matters affecting our future growth, prosperity and prestige. These committees in due time will present the results of their deliberations for our consideration and approval.

Gentlemen, I complete tonight the term of office for which you elected me, and you will choose as my successor one who will be more worthy of your suffrages and more helpful to your purposes, and for whom I bespeak your continued support and assistance in whatever he shall undertake. In rounding out an uninterrupted official connection with the affairs of this society which reaches back to its inception, a period of nineteen years, I wish to testify to my sense of great pleasure in having been permitted to serve you so long, and record my grateful appreciation of your unfailing courtesy and forbearance; and as we step forward through the portals of a new and untried year, I trust that we shall always bear in mind the objects for which we exist, I trust we shall always remember that membership in this society affords a means whereby we may foster and promote that spirit of fraternity, good-will and good-fellowship which should always distinguish us in our relations with one another, and that harmony is the strength and support of all institutions.

L. L. Green, President.

AN "ERROR" COLLECTION.

By R. E. R. Dalwigk.

To the man of medium means all this sounds very disconcerting, but I will endeavour to tabulate some errors which may find their way into his album for a moderate outlay. There are two courses open to the man of small means: (i.) he may collect all the cheaper errors as they come, or (ii.) he may collect only a *special class* of error, i. e. errors of colour or inverted centres, just as his purse and fancy permit. Among "surcharge errors" the small specialist will find *many* items to add to his collection at no great expenditure to himself, but among the more interesting classes of error his area of action will be much more limited, but for all that full of interest.

In tabulating the various kinds of errors I have put them under four principal headings, although perhaps three would have sufficed, as "errors of surcharge" should come under "errors of manipulation"; but as the surcharge imperfections are so very numerous, it will be found to be more practicable to place them in a class by themselves.

1. **Errors of Composition or Manufacture,** i. e. inaccuracies in the actual stamp.

(a) Engraving	These consist of:—
(b) Lithography	(i.) Errors of design.
(c) Typographical composition	(ii.) Errors of inscription.
	(iii.) Errors of figures of value.

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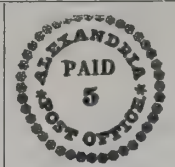

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- (c) Errors of value erased.
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- (a) Errors of colour by substitution of a wrong ink.
- (b) Errors of printed at back.
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- (d) Errors of watermark.
- (e) Errors of colour of paper.

IV. **Errors of Surcharge**
- (a) Inverted surcharge.
- (b) Double surcharge.
- (c) Errors of omitted surcharge.
- (d) Errors of separated surcharge.
- (e) Errors of wrong surcharge.
- (f) Surcharge in wrong colour.
- (g) Surcharge in wrong type.

Besides the above list of errors there are several minor inconsistencies which, however, cannot be classed under the heading of errors, as their existence is in no way due to any oversight on the part of the acting officials.

The four chief classes of error given here could be collected separately by the less wealthy philatelists—an excellent means of forming a limited collection. The advantages of going in for "errors of composition," etc., as compared with only a single subdivision (such as inverted centres), are manifold. By taking one of the four primary classes of errors one is able to form a *varied* collection, as the subdivisions are numerous. On the other hand, to collect only a special type of subdivisional error is apt to become rather monotonous, whilst the expenditure is not less than it would be in making a collection of several kinds of errors—if careful choice is made.

All errors being more or less rare, it is not surprising that the forger occupies much of his time in putting counterfeit errors on the stamp market, many of which, fortunately, are not good enough to deceive any one "in the know." With "errors of surcharge," however, the tables are turned, and it is not infrequently that the collector falls a victim to the forger's wiles. To obtain a genuine stamp and put on a forged surcharge are the simplest things in the stamp faker's trade, whilst if that faker is at all skilled and clever—beware! The surcharge specialist should always be *very* careful in dealing with rare errors, whilst a reliable stamp firm's name is not only desirable, but necessary as a guarantee.

The first class of errors to deal with are—

1. Errors of Composition or Manufacture.

This class of error is caused by inaccuracies and defects in the actual stamp, such as—

(i.) Errors of design.
(ii.) Errors of inscription.
(iii.) Errors of figures of value.

Such errors as the above three may almost be looked upon as being the basis from which stamp errors have sprung, as surely no other classes of errors could be placed before these three? An error of design, for instance, is absolutely the first type of error that could have occurred, for it is difficult to conceive the printer making any earlier mistake in the production of the adhesive than to print the wrong design. It could of course be argued that errors of paper and watermark are also early states of mistakes, but then they are so different in every way that a comparison between them and an error of design is odious.

Engraving Errors.—This type of error occurs both in stamps engraved *en creux* and in relief. The commonest mistakes by far consist of inserting wrong letters either in the name of the country, the value, or the inscription. In modern days it would be impossible for such errors to crop up in engraved stamps, as the engraver now engraves one matrix die, from which any number of exactly identical plates can be made. In olden times, however, it was quite different; the design being often engraved in duplicate direct on to the plate, with the result that every stamp differed in some minute detail from its neighbour. This explains the errors which crop up on a large plate.

Lithographic Errors.—In this class of error spelling mistakes are even much more common than is the case among engraved stamps; but, on the other hand, errors of design are scarcely ever to be seen. The plate being made by transfers, it is unlikely that the design could alter or change; but sometimes it happens that the figures of value or the inscription letters are very small, then it is that the transfer paper may not do its duty overwell.

Typographical Errors.—Once more all the chief errors are printer's mistakes in composing the name or money of the country. Stamps printed by this process are produced in exactly the same way as newspapers and journals. All lines in the die are made to appear in relief, many replicas are then taken on soft lead or gutta-percha to make the plate of required size. The moulds are then arranged in a forme, an electro cast being taken of the whole.

It must not be thought, however, that inscription errors end the typographical inaccuracies, as such is not the case. There are many bicoloured stamps produced by typography, the frame and central portion of the design being printed in two separate processes—the origin of inverted centre errors, which type of error will be described in due course.

I will make it a rule having described any certain types to a give few examples of the errors mentioned, so as to illustrate them more forcibly.

Some examples of errors of composition.

Engraving.

Belgium. 1869-80. Here we find some varieties of spelling in the 1c green. For "Belgique" we have "Belgigue" and "Beigique," whilst "centime" is found spelt "centimf."

Mauritius. 1848. "Post Paid." 2d blue. "Pence" in error is spelt "Penoe."

New South Wales. Among the "Sydney Views" of this interesting colony there are many interesting errors (although these are of minor importance), and are in realitv rather varieties than errors. April, 1850, 2d blue, "crevit" omitted. December, 1851, "Wales" reading "Wale," whilst in May, 1852, we have another variety which reads "Walls."

Lithography.

Bhopal. 1877. Some curious spellings for "Begam" read "Becan," "Began," "Eecam"; also "Nwab" for "Nawab."

Dominican Republic. 1880. 1c dull green; "cen-avo" for "centavo."

Lubeck. 1859. 2 (2½) sch. brown; error "zwei ein halb" on "zwei" sch.

Oldenburg. 1859. 3gr black on yellow; "Olbenburg" for "Oldenburg."
1861. ⅓gr green, and 3gr yellow; "Oldeiburg" for "Oldenburg."

Typography.

Dominican Republic. 1867. "Un real" spelt as one word. Another variety of the same stamp is to be found without inscription at top or bottom.

Guadeloupe. 1891. "Guadeloupe" is known in five different spellings: "Gnadeloupe," "Guadelouep," "Guadelonpe," "Guadbloupe," "uadeloupe."

Modena. 1852. Here we are confronted by an amazing variety of errors of spelling of the word "cent." such as, "cnet." "eent.," "ce6t.," "cene.," "cezt.," "cetn," "cest.," etc. This is indeed a paradise for the error collector!

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We hope and believe that the WEEKLY will again be chosen as the official journal of our national society. In any event, the 50c rate will be maintained and under the new postal regulation all renewals would better be made direct to this office.

THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Versatile Mr. Mudge—Two articles, each occupying nearly a page, by H. N. Mudge, president of the American Philatelic Society have been featured by the Chicago *Sunday Examiner* in two recent issues. One describes Panama, and the other Central America. The articles which are profusely illustrated are of engrossing interest and while not philatelic in any sense, they yet make supplementary reading worth while for the stamp collector. Mr. Mudge deserves the newspaper's tribute: He "is a close observer of men and things and his articles will be found accurate and interesting, dealing as they do with features not hitherto touched upon."

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A Difference—H. L. Finney, Sharon, Vermont, has shown us a copy of the 1½ pence, Great Britain, current type, that evidently was printed from a cliche on which one of the lines has been broadened noticeably. Ordinarily, the two lines, extended diagonally upward from a point just below the center of the tablet containing the value, are, one (the upper) thin and the lower one quite thicker. In the specimen shown by Mr. Finney, both of these lines are of the same thickness as the lower one on the left side of the tablet; and it is unlikely that the broadening of the line is to be accounted for by reason of a mechanical variation in printing.

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In Demand—Some years ago, we called attention to the increasing demand for philatelic literature, particularly that of the earliest days of philately; and the prediction was made that it would be but a short time before keen competition on the part of those of antiquarian bent would elevate prices to a high and rightful notch. Developments have amply proved the truth of the view expressed and the literature of the infancy of philately, if any class is to be specified, is receiving a due meed of attention. In a recent Wolsieffer sale, the high prices astounded many who had not read recent signs; and prices in isolated cases are such as to impress the collector who knew only of the apathetic demand that existed in the past. We learn that later in the year, the philatelic library of Henry L. Calman will be disposed of at auction by the Scott Stamp & Coin Company; and opportunity will be offered by the sale that literature collectors will welcome as the library contains only works published up to 1901, when Mr. Calman discontinued his active connection with the Scott Stamp & Coin Company. As, up to 1901, the Calman library is one of the most complete in this country, if not in the world, it follows that it includes many rare old prints in English and in other languages. The sale will be an event for the philatelic literature enthusiasts.

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Testimony at the Time—From John C. Allen, Beverly, New Jersey, we have received some interesting references to the very early days of stamps; he submits the following extracts from a letter mailed at Birmingham, England, in May, 1841, to Philadelphia: "The penny postage makes such a difference in the number of letters written but like everything else, it is abused. They find that the red marks which were put on the black stamps could be effaced and then used again, so that now red stamps are used marked with black." "How convenient the penny postage is. A few weeks ago a friend who is stopping at Leamington wrote to grandfather to say that he was going to take a run over here to see some of the manufactories. They accordingly came and dined with us. The next morning a very handsome tortoise shell comb was found and grandfather enclosed it and sent it by post, it costing only two pence. Flowers are often sent in tin boxes and I have heard of an inflated bladder being sent from one end of the kingdom to the other."

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Business Aid—Philately is becoming a more prominent factor in the general press than many would have predicted it would some years ago. It is patent to the casual, hurrying reader of the press that in a wide variety of ways, philately is given publicity. Whenever we refer to the increasing prestige of the pursuit in the eyes of the astute managing editors in this country, it becomes a duty to attribute a great share of the credit for the elevation of philately to the work of the educational committee of the American Philatelic Society and the Burrough's articles. During the past week, we have seen items in the newspapers, referring to prices realized at the sale of the Leslie Carter collection in New York; descriptions of the new Cuban stamps, etc., and these subjects were handled as news items. The purpose of this note is to call attention to the following advertisement that has been seen in an English newspaper, under the head, New Stamps: "To celebrate the coronation of the Chinese Emperor Hsuan Tung a handsome set of postage stamps has been issued in the Celestial Empire. They are printed in two colors, the central design being a picture of the famous Temple of Heaven at Pekin. A supply of these interesting and valuable stamps has been received by the Dr. Williams' Company, who are offering an excellent opportunity to stamp experts to enrich their collections. A set of three, unused, of face values seven, three and two cents, will be sent to any of our readers who mention 'Lloyd's News' and foward six pence in stamps (or P. O.), plus 1d for postage to Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, etc." The London address of the company follows. We suppose that dealers will not resent this incusion of the medicine company into the ranks of dealers; no doubt they will applaud the enterprise of the company, knowing that a notice of the kind will have a stimulating effect on philately in its broadest sense.

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Story With a Moral—The following story is taken from the Chicago *Journal:* "There are tricks in many trades," remarked Thomas Jackson, whose hobby is stamp collecting, "but one of the neatest I've seen lately was put over through a Chicago newspaper. A fellow wrote to the editor that he wanted to aid poor people, and was therefore willing to buy certain old stamps, if anyone had them, at $5 to $10 each. To the non-collector the offer looked fine, but to those 'in on the know' it was pitiful to see the trap set for the unwary. The stamps the fellow was willing to pay $5 to $10 each for are really worth from $75 to $100 each. He undoubtedly hoped to catch the eye of some stamp-ignorant person who might have on old letters the specimens he sought, and get them for a song." In passing, notice the descriptive "stamp-ignorant;" it is worth incorporating into philatelic nomenclature. We do not need to say that many are the tricks that are resorted to by stamp collectors to obtain their coveted specimens. The subterfuges run the gamut from the "Please, dear Czar" letters to ingenious schemes that are not without their amusing sides. Let some stamp celebrity be spoken of in the newspaper press and the chances are that little Lillie Leebower, ostensibly a child of ten, but in reality a hardened old collector of male kind, will ask by letter for stamps, "you have so many," is alleged wistfully and with well-calculated innocence. Horatio Hecktick, who is sick, "O, so long" indites a note in trembling chirography to the great collector to say that a gift of stamps would aid convalescence and while away dull hours. Horatio may be a stalwart man with whiskers, whose appetite puts that of the hired man to shame. Even coy Claudia Condillion whose friends say that she "is not bad-looking" if her letter is to be given credence dotes on stamps but is too poor to buy any; "she would love dearly to receive some" from the gentleman, who is "noble and good," she knows. Claudia is easily metamorphosed into a sharp-featured man,—and so on. The moral of it all must be that stamp collectors are not quite perfect.

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Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

A. P. S. HISTORICAL NOTES.

By H.A.DAVIS, Pres. Colo. Branch No.22

Year 1903, 18th Annual Convention.

In February, J. F. Johnson resigned from the Board of V. Pres. on account of removal. Edw. F. Sawyer of Mass. was appointed to fill the vacancy. The first expert committee of the association was appointed this year as provided for by the previous convention and consisted of the following members: John N. Luff, J. M. Andreini and J. C. Morgenthau, all of New York City. (Note: Two of these same members are serving on this same committee for 1909-10.) On May 26th President Holland issued the call for the 18th annual convention to be convened at Clayton, N. Y., Aug. 11th.

The following nominations for Board of Directors were made by the Chicago Branch: President, Alex. Holland, New York; V. Pres., F. H. Burt, Gordon Ireland, Willard O. Wylie, all of Mass.; Sec., E. R. Aldrich, Minn.; Treas. C. L. Annan, Mich.; Int. Sec., E. Doeblin, Pa.; Directors, F. W. Coning, N. J.; H. B. Phillips, Calif. The 18th annual convention was called to order in Red Men's Hall, Clayton, N. Y., Aug. 11th, with President Holland in the chair.

There were 23 members and 14 visitors present; 376 members were represented by proxy.

The Secretary's report showed a total membership of 560, a gain of 5 members for the fiscal year. The Treasurer's report showed receipts to be $698.40; expenditures, $633.28; Bal. Gen. Fund, $92.99; Bal. Stock Fund, $1827.00; Bal. Insurance Fund $1032.89. Stamps were sold in the Sales Dept. to the amount of $5437.59.

$25.00 were appropriated for the use of the Index Committee. $100.00 was voted for the use of the Membership Committee. A Counterfeit Detector was added to the list of officers, fees 5c per stamp with a minimum charge of 25c. Pittsburg, Pa., was selected as the seat of the next convention by a vote of 261, against 87 for Minneapolis, 8 for St. Louis and 1 for Chicago. MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS was elected official journal. The *Perforator* and *The Philatelic World* were also candidates. Few changes, none of note were made in the by-laws.

The ticket as nominated by Chicago was elected with one exception. Messrs. D. T. Eaton and E. R. Aldrich each received the same number of votes, but as another member residing in the same state as Mr. Aldrich had received a larger number of votes, Mr. Aldrich was not eligible as a director, Mr. Eaton was therefore elected. He was appointed Sec. of the board and association. With this and the following few changes and additions the officers of the association remain the same as the previous year. W. O. Wylie succeeded Edw. F. Sawyer on the Board of Vice Presidents. Among the appointive officers, W. O. Staab succeeded P. M. Wolsieffer as Auction Purchasing Agt. at Chicago; J. W. Prevost succeeded Robt. D. Maynard as Resident V. Pres. at Springfield, Mass. This office by the way covering western Mass., M. H. Lombard, Winchester, Mass., succeeded J. F. Johnson of Auburndale as Resident V. Pres. of eastern Mass. H. W. Wolseley was appointed Examiner of Sales Books (another new office) and J. M. Bartels appointed the first Counterfeit Detector. (Note: The same member holds the appointment for 1909-10.) The first appointment to this office was Geo. L. Toppan, but he declined to serve, whereupon Mr. Bartels was appointed.

(*To be continued.*)

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By CHARLES R. MORRIS.

In the issue of this paper for Oct. 9th and under the same title I stated that I had been to see the Director of the Bureau and the Acting Asst. Postmaster General, Mr. Travers, in regard to having the blue special delivery plates marked in some way so that the reissue could be told from the old issue printed before the green ones, that it had been directed by Mr. Travers that these old plates be marked with an "09" following the plate numbers and I gave the plate numbers as being from 5240 to 5252.

It has just been brought to my attention that the numbers of the Green Specials were 4916, 4917, 4920 and 4921, and that the blue specials above referred to being numbered in the 5200 series could not have been printed before the green specials.

This was considerable of a surprise to me for I had not taken the trouble to get the green special numbers when I sent the other article to be published and to make sure whether I was right or wrong I made another trip to the Bureau to get what information I could.

It now seems that Plates 1773, 1774, 1775 and 1776 were prepared in 1905 and were used continuously from April 20, 1905, to July 11, 1908, and were destroyed in January, 1909. The green special plates were put to press only twice, on Dec. 7th and 15th, 1908. New plates of the old blue specials were made and put to press for the first time on June 15th, 1909.

When I started out to get the "09" put on I was told that no blue specials had been printed since the withdrawal of the green ones as a goodly supply of the old ones were still on hand in the vaults and that I would have to get such permission from the Post Office Department. I then went to Mr. Travers about it and was later informed that our request would be granted. He gave orders to the Bureau that all old plates of the specials that were going to be used again should have this '09 put on and as the only plates they had to put it on were the new ones, it was put on them. Stamps printed from June 15th to Sept. 8th will not have the '09 on and those printed after that date will have it.

I very much regret that the information conveyed in my article of Oct. 9th was not authentic but as will be seen I am not wholly to blame unless it is held that I should have looked up the green special numbers. However, I humbly apologize for being mislead and misleading others.

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UNITED STATES.—The Frank P. Brown Co. has shown us specimens of the Postal Telegraph-Cable Company's franks, which do not appear in the catalogue. First, the 1907 design illustrated by Scott, but printed in black on pink paper. The serial number is printed in pale red. The 1909 frank is in a new and somewhat more elaborate design, though the border is of plain rule. The name of the company is in larger colorless letters on a colored tablet with ornamental border, and the date is also in white on a colored tablet. The signature is Clarence H. Mackay, and the stamps appear in violet, brown and olive green on white. The number is printed in pale red, blue and black. Mr. Aldrich writes that these 1909 franks also come surcharged letters, "I. C." for Illinois Central, "C. G. W." for Chicago Great Western, "E. P." for El Paso of Texas, and "P. R. R." for Pennsylvania, being special permits.

Charles M. Breder sends us a private mailing card, with 1c paid permit, Brooklyn, N. Y., No. 74, thereby confirming Mr. Boers' note in No. 998.

Mr. Breder now sends us the envelope, mentioned in No. 986. Taken in connection with Mr. Newton's note in No. 988, it indicates that the use of officially sealed stamps is often omitted, and therefore not required by the department.

We are indebted to Harry C. Reddy, Charles A. Townsend, E. J. Post, H. T. Parker and Erwin G. Ward for the following precancels:

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Topeka, Kansas, 6c normal.
Rock Island, Ill., 4c normal.
Elgin, Ill., 3c normal.
Racine, Wis., 8c reading down; also double.
Racine, Wis., 5c up and down.
Racine, Wis., 4c up.
Burlington, Vt., 1c up and down.
Providence, R. I., 5c inverted.
Providence, R. I., 8c normal.
Chattanooga, St. Elmo Sta., Tennessee, double.
Warren, Pa., 8c normal.
Warren, Pa., 1c normal; small type.
Ashland, Ohio, 1c normal.
West Grove, Pa., 1c inverted.
West Grove, Pa., 2c inverted.
West Grove, Pa., 3c normal.
Akron, Ohio, 1c normal and inverted; new type.
Waterloo, Iowa, 2c normal and inverted.
Minneapolis, Minn., 1c double.
Waterbury, Conn., 6c and 8c, with new precancel showing a cog wheel border.
St. Louis, Missouri, 3c, 4c, 10c and 13c normal.

E. G. Reece reports finding the 6c of 1895, watermarked very plainly with an "R."

Robert J. Wagner sends us a drawing showing the division of the sheets of the 1902 special delivery stamps. The stamps are issued in sheets of 100, divided by lines into four parts. The sheets are cut along the horizontal line and divided into two panes of 50 stamps, in which form they are issued to post offices. The vertical line is perforated, but the sheet is not divided or cut along this line.

AUSTRALIA.—It is again reported from Melbourne, that competition is to be invited for designs for a new set of stamps to consist of 19 values.

CANADA.—*Ewen's Weekly* reports the 7c in a new shade.

Adhesive.
7c dark yellow.

CAYMAN ISLANDS.—B. D. Forster sends specimens of the new stationery from this colony, the stamp being similar to the ¼d stamp recently issued. They were placed on sale at the Georgetown, Cayman Islands, post office, Dec. 28, 1909. Mr. Forster is informed that local letters coming from outlying districts are cancelled by a rubber stamp reading, "Rural Post—Collection," in two lines.

Envelope.
1d carmine on gray blue; 114x140 mm.
Post Card.
1d carmine on buff.

COLOMBIA.—The Frank P. Brown Co. and the C. E. Hussman Stamp Co. have shown us the new departmental surcharges chronicled in No. 995. The overprints, for there are two, are set up in a horizontal strip of five, with a double rule border around the strip, and single lines of rule between the stamps. They are found not only normal on the stamps mentioned in No. 995, but also upon the 2c imperforate, and upon the ½c and 5c, with surcharge inverted. The ½c has been found with inverted surcharge in both Government and private prints.

CUBA.—Hermann Focke has shown us a complete used set of the new stamps, and we are also indebted to S. L. Israel for specimens.

FIJI ISLANDS.—Specimen copies of this stamp in the new colors have been distributed.

Adhesive.
1sh black on green.

GREAT BRITAIN.—*Offices in the Levant.*—Thomas C. E. Hunter calls attention to the fact that we have not yet chronicled the 1pi 30pa on the old 4d, brown and green.

Adhesive.
1pi 30pa on 4d brown and green.

GREECE.—The *London Philatelist* gives particulars regarding a new series of stamps. They are to be manufactured by the chromo-lithographic firm of Aspiotti & Co., Corfu. There will be three designs. The 1l, 3l and 10l will show the Hermes of Tonagra from an ancient coin. The 2l, 20l and 25l will show the

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NETHERLANDS.—The *Postage Stamp* reports the 10g in pink instead of orange.

Adhesive.

10g pink.

NORTH BORNEO. — *Ewen's Weekly* chronicles the 10c in a new shade.

Adhesive.

10c pale blue and black.

SPANISH MOROCCO.—The new 2c stamp has been overprinted "Correo Espanol —Marruecos" in two lines in red, the type being the same as the 1909 issue. The surcharge is placed diagonally, reading up.

Adhesive.

2c dark brown and red.

SALVADOR.—The Scott Stamp & Coin Co., Hermann Focke and H. Wesley Legg have shown us specimens of two new provisionals from this country. The 13c brown and black and 26c yellow brown and black of 1907, the current set with arms have been surcharged with new value in red, thus: "2—Centavos—1909," in three lines.

Provisional Adhesives.

2c on 13c brown, black and red.
3c on 26c yellow brown, black and red.

The C. E. Hussman Stamp Co., reports the following irregularities in the new Salvador, surcharged "1821—15th Septiembre— 1909": A copy surcharged "1" with the "821" omitted; also one with the last four letters of Septiembre left out; another copy surcharged "821" instead of "1821," and "5th Septiembre 1909"; another surcharged 1821 and then come "ptiem" instead of Septembre; another with the entire surcharge at top doubled. These four stamps are on the ordinary paper. Now comes the most interesting one of all on watermarked paper;—th "15th Septiembre" surcharge showing only on the first stamp in a strip of four, the other three being unsurcharged; margin of the sheet showing on both sides.

VENEZUELA.—A new value has been added to the current set.

Adhesive.

15c violet.

AMERICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY—*Continued from Page 68.*

Division of Stamps.
POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT,
THIRD ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL.
WASHINGTON, February 4, 1910.

MR. HENRY S. ADAIR, Secretary,
American Philatelic Society,
Box 691, Columbus, Ohio.

Sir:—In answer to your letter of January 25, which the Postmaster General has referred to me, you are advised that the resolution of the American Philatelic Society favoring the use of numerals to express denomination on the current 1c and 2c stamps will receive due consideration.

Respectfully,
(Signed) A. M. TRAVERS,
Acting 3rd Asst. Postmaster General.

COLUMBUS BRANCH, No. 21.

The 76th regular meeting of the Columbus Collectors' Club was held Feb. 8, 1910, President Mason in the chair, with 13 members and one visitor, Mr. F. M. Kennedy of Washington C. H., Ohio, present. Minutes of the 75th meeting and report of Board of Directors were read and approved, the approval of the report of the Directors carrying with it the expulsion of six active members for non-payment of dues, also the appointment of Mr. Geo. W. Linn as Librarian with Messrs. Adair and Smith as assistants and the appointment of Mr. W. H. Field as Curator of the club's counterfeit collection.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, Mr. H. S. Adair, a member of the Columbus Collectors' Club and Secretary of the American Philatelic Society, has refused to become a candidate for a third term; therefore, be it

"Resolved, that the Columbus Collectors' Club heartily endorses Mr. W. H. Barnum of Cleveland, Ohio, for the position on the Board of Directors of the American Philatelic Society to be made vacant by reason of Mr. Adair's declination."

The Secretary was empowered to solicit lots for an auction to be held for the benefit of the club's library, details to be decided by the President and Secretary.

The Secretary was instructed to advertise for new quarters for the club. President Mason exhibited his collections of Guatemala and British Guiana, the former being especially interesting in view of the proofs and essays displayed. After the usual drawings, meeting adjourned at ten o'clock.

GEO. K. SMITH, JR., Sec.

WASHINGTON PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

W. A. JOHNSON, Pres.; F. B. WHEATON, V. Pres.; J. F. ENGLE, Sec.; R. WYSONG, Treas.; T. R. HUNGERFORD, Supt. Exchange; WM. SAHM, Supt. Auctions; C. R. MORRIS, Lib.; Gov. Board, Pres., Sec., Treas., and R. DASKAM, MAJ. P. C. STEVENS, GEO. L. TOPPAN and PROF. M. WHITNEY. Regular meetings 2nd Wednesday at 624 6th St., N. W.

The 49th regular meeting was held February 9, 1910. Sixteen members were present. The regular routine business was transacted. An amendment to the Statutes was proposed making the dues 65 cents per year and those members expressing a desire to subscribe to MEKEEL'S to pay 50 cents additional, which will be acted on at the next meeting.

At the annual meeting the officers as named above were elected for the ensuing year. The Treasurer reported balance in general fund of $19.99 and in Insurance fund of $11.48. J. H. Krentzlin has resigned and Thomas Mainwaring elected to membership. At the next meeting, March 9, an auction sale and an educational contest will be held.

J. FINNEY ENGLE, Sec.

NOTES FROM THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

By THEODORE SIDDALL.

Some years ago the Philippine Commission passed an act forbidding the exhibition of the insignia of the late Katipunan Society, and every once in a while someone runs foul of this act and gets into trouble. About a month ago a Spanish business man in this city was arrested for having in his possession a quantity of the stamps issued by the Philippine Republic (Aguinaldo stamps), which he was offering for sale. These stamps all bear the insignia of the Katipunan, with its initials, "K. K. K." This arrest caused some discussion among the collectors here, who were afraid they too might be arrested for having these stamps in possession, so a letter was addressed to the prosecuting attorney, inquiring whether the act covered the possession by collectors of these stamps, and the following opinion was rendered by the Attorney General:

"The stamps used during the late insurrection are no doubt emblems used during said insurrection within the meaning of Secs. 1 and 2 of Act 1696. What these sections punish, however, is the exposition by a person to public view, either on his own premises or elsewhere, of such emblems, or the display of them at any banquet, public entertainment, public meeting, or reunion, or any parade, procession or review; and none of these acts is committed by a collector of stamps who shows his album containing stamps used during the late insurrection to a person who wishes to buy them, or to a friend of said collector who visits his premises.—GREGORIO ARANETA, Attorney-General."

This ought to dispose of the contention, advanced by some ignorant or prejudiced "philatelists," that these stamps were not actually issued postage stamps.

If collectors will look on their maps for latitude 11½ north, and 120 east from Greenwich, they will find a little island named Culion, which is threatening an eruption of stamps. Culion is one of the Philippine Islands, and has an area of 117 square miles, and a population of I don't know exactly how many; but it is the leper colony for the islands and it is proposed to issue a special series of stamps for them, and also to provide special coins. Now, the question arises, will collectors take them? If they want specimens from the island itself, will they not be afraid of getting the microbes of leprosy and with the stamps. If not, and they get stamps guaranteed to not come from the islands, isn't this about going to the limit of absenteeism in philately? When dealers will have to guarantee that their stamps have *not* come from the country they represent,—what next?

So far only the 1 peso stamp has appeared in its new color, but no doubt the other values will appear in due time.

Our Branch Society is still alive, but it does not help us any to have seen no notice of the receipt of our application for the charter, which we forwarded to the Atlantic City convention. It is very hard to get together a meeting for any purpose in this country, but we are doing as well as we can. We would like to know what became of our application.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—Clippings have been received with thanks from Mrs. A. A. Doolittle, Frederic A. de Camp, Geo. Kump (5), F. R. Fraprie, K. Woodward and H. S. Williams.

—A second edition of Melville's *United States 1847-1869* has been issued, the reprinting being made necessary by the rapid exhaustion of the first edition. Some slight revisions have been made in the text and illustrations of die proofs of the 5c and 10c, 1847, have been added. The first of the new series, *Great Britain Embossed Adhesive Stamps,* is now on the press.

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H. N. MUDGE, President.

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The following letters, which were brought forth in response to votes at the Atlantic City convention, are published for the information of members.

H. S. ADAIR, Sec.

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THIRD ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL.
WASHINGTON, January 31, 1910.

MR. HENRY S. ADAIR,
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30c, fine copy, scarce	.75	.45
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30c, good average copy	3.50	1.15
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1sh, No. 3	4.00	1.35
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Orange River *6d, Nos. 2 and 2a, o.g. and fine	4.50	1.75
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Transvaal 1887, £5, fine	..	2.00
1901, *2sh 6d, E. R. I., o. g., fine	..	1.20

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RARITIES IN THE COLLECTION OF MR. CHARLES LATHROP PACK.

A PLATE OF RARITIES.

We are pleased to illustrate upon this page some of the rarities from the great collection of Mr. Charles Lathrop Pack of Lakewood, N. J. They represent a few only of the splendid gems in his collection.

The triangular Cape of Good Hope stamps have a peculiar charm and fascination that appeals to practically every collector and here we have no less than eight pairs and a block of four all wood blocks.

In the 1d red is a pair unused and three other pairs in shades. The block of four is certainly a rarity. In the 4d blue, which color by the way makes the stamp very difficult for reproduction in a half-tone, are four fine shades in milky, dark and grayish blue. The pair especially worthy of mention and which shows specimen with the re-engraved end may be seen at the right just above the block of four of the 1d. The particular stamp is the upper one, the re-engraved end on the right being plainly noticeable.

Two Spanish gems are seen in the 1855 1r blue with cliche of the 2r inserted. The catalog prices this rarity at $80.00. A rarity unpriced by Scott is the 25m of Jan. 1867 issue with frame inverted. Its value must be approximately $500.00.

In the description of Mr. Pack's Uruguays will be found reference to the peculiar rarity illustrated upon this page. A block of eight of the 1857, 240c showing the place from which the celebrated error was removed. A perusal of Mr. Bartels' article will be found profitable in studying the thoroughness with which Mr. Pack collects the stamps of a country in which he becomes interested.

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	2d " " "	"
	1d blue p., " " pair,	"
	2d " " "	"
	2d " " " PENOE,	"
	1d " intermediate,	unused
	2d " "	"
	1d yel. p., worn impression,	"
	1d blue p., " "	"
1859	March 2d, early,	unused
1859	Oct. 2d, fillet,	used
1859	Dec. 1d red,	unused

NATAL

1857	9d blue,	used
1857	1sh buff,	"
1869	6d Scott No. 28,	unused
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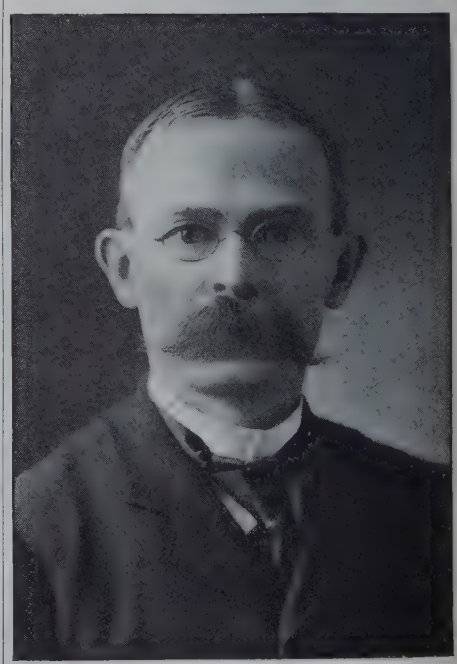
—To succeed Henry S. Adair, who declines renomination as secretary of the A. P. S., two nominations have been made—Chas. R. Morris of the D. of C. Branch and W. H. Barnum by the Cleveland Branch.



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" 48c " red	.25	.10
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*Nicaragua 1906-08, 50c on 6c slate	.40	.07
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Salvador 1c Jubilee 15th Sept. 1909, in use only one day, rare	..	.15
*Siam 1893, 1a on 64a, No. 34	.50	.12
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*1887-89, 6p yellow brown	.40	.20
* " 1sh black brown	.60	.37
*1893, 2½p ultramarine	.18	.09
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1909	" 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 12½, 20, 50c & 1 sol	.30
1905	Salvador, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 12 & 13c	.12
1907	" 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 12 & 13c	.12
	" **Unpaid 1, 2, 3, 5 & 10, mint**	.40
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Lincolns	3c "	4c	"

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By C. A. HOWES.

This is the day we celebrate! And no wonder, for to what philatelic paper has it ever before been given to write the magic figure of four places as a serial number on an issue? To be sure other magazines have had longer lives—we are barely in our twentieth year—while a few of our confrères are nearly double our age; but an issue is an issue, and each represents a bow before the philatelic public, and to have made a round thousand of these bows without a break or even that time-saving device, a "double number," is a record of which we are greatly and justly proud.

Let us hark back a bit to the dark ages and trace roughly the development of philatelic literature. We all know that the postage stamp was born in 1840. When it first became the subject for the collecting mania is not so well determined. *Punch's* famous skit on the "Order of Knights of the Spit-upon" was a hit at the amassing of penny and twopenny stamps:

"To fill a peck measure
With the coveted treasure
Of as many old stamps as perforce can be hit upon,
To paper a room, or stuff cushions to sit upon."

This appeared in 1842, but collecting as we know it could hardly have been much under way, before at least a decade had passed. For one thing, there were hardly enough issues to collect, for only about fifty-five varieties had been put forth previous to 1850, and some of these, like the United States Postmasters' stamps, were practically unknown. But by 1860 our pursuit was really under way, for the first reference to it in English that Mr. P. J. Anderson, writing in the *Philatelic Record,* could find was in *Notes and Queries* for 23rd June, 1860. It reads as follows:

"POSTAGE STAMPS. A boy in my form one day showed me a collection of from 300 to 400 different postage stamps, English and foreign, and at the same time stated that Sir Rowland Hill told him that at that time there might be about 500 varieties on the whole. This seems a cheap, instructive and portable museum for young people to arrange, and yet I have seen no notices of catalogs or specimens for sale, such as there are of coins, prints, plants, &c., and no articles in periodicals."

This plaint was soon answered, though not in England. In 1861 there appeared at Strassbourg the first and second editions of M. Berger-Levrault's privately printed *Timbres-Poste,* and at Paris the first edition of M. Alfred Potiquet's *Catalogue des Timbres-Poste créés dans les divers Etats du Globe.* But not until 1862 did the literature of the subject make a start in England. In the June number of *Young England* Dr. John Edward Gray, of the British Museum, began a series of articles entitled "The Postage Stamps of the World," while in *Cassell's Illustrated Family Paper* for 26th July is begun an anonymous series under the heading "Postage Stamps." The idea seems to have been propagated, for two articles with titles corresponding with Dr. Gray's appeared in the *Magasin Pittoresque* of Paris and the *Bazar* of Berlin in the same year.

Mr. Anderson says: "So far as I can learn, the first English periodical whose *raison d' être* was distinctly the furtherance of stamp collecting seems to have been the *Monthly Intelligencer,* published at Birmingham by William Macmillan. Mr. Tiffany speaks of only one number of this. It began in October, 1862, and was advertised as appearing regularly down to May of the following year." I believe ten numbers were actually issued. Mr. Anderson continues: "Two months later in date was the *Monthly Advertiser,* the true literary progenitor of the *Philatelic Journal* and the *Philatelic Record.*" The same year saw what seems to have been the earliest American philatelic publication, *The Stamp Collectors' Manual: being a Complete Guide to the Collectors of American and Foreign Postage and Despatch Stamps,* published in Philadelphia by A. C. Kline, and which Mr. Anderson describes as a piracy of the first edition of Mount Brown's *Catalogue of British Colonial, and Foreign Stamps,* published in May, 1882, in London.

1863 brought forth the *Stamp Collectors' Magazine,* that standard of early British philately, and also two foreign journals of note, Moens' *Timbre-Poste* at Brussels and the *Magazin für Briefmarken-Sammler* from Leipzig. 1864 added Maury's *Collectionneur des Timbres-Poste* and Mahé's *Timbrophile,* both hailing from Paris, and in America S. Allan Taylor's *Stamp Collector's Record,* published from Montreal, Albany, Boston and New York, the first of the philatelic magazines in this country. It did not long remain alone, as 1865 saw the *Coin and Stamp Journal* from Chicago and the *Stamp Collectors' Monthly Gazette* from St. John, N. B. In 1866 appeared the *Postman's Knock,* also from St. John, N. B., in 1867 Trifet's *American Stamp Mercury* at Boston and the *Monthly Coin and Stamp Collector's Magazine* from Philadelphia; 1868 brought forth the first series of the *American Journal of Philately,* and since then the tide has flowed—and ebbed.

When MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS started on its career on Jan. 7, 1891, it was an experiment. Quarterlies and monthlies had come and gone: the weekly was as yet untried, save by one volume of the aforesaid *American Journal of Philately.* The results justified the venture: it came, was seen, and conquered. Others, emboldened by its success, dared fate, and but four remain to keep it company—one in this country and three across the pond; all the latter, curiously enough, hailing from "dear old Lunnun"! Twice has further recklessness carried enthusiasts to greater lengths—the daily stamp paper—but of such there remains but a

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U. S. 1902, 50c orange		.18	" .04
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	Name.	Country.	Age, Yrs.	Issued.*	Nos.
1	Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News	U. S.	20th	W	1000
2	Illustriertes Briefmarken-Journal	Germany	37th	F	748
3	General-Anzeiger fur Philatelie	"	28th	T	696
4	Internationales Briefmarken Offertenblatt	"	19th	T	613
5	Metropolitan Philatelist	U. S.	22nd	F	590
6	Weekly Philatelic Era	"	18	(dead)	566
7	Ewen's Weekly Stamp News	England	12th	W	544
8	Le Timbre-Poste	Belgium	38	M	456
9	A. Smith & Sons Monthly Circular	England	36th	M	422
10	Mitteilungen des Internationalen Postwertzeichen-Handler-Vereins	Germany	25th	F	419
11	L'Echo de la Timbrologie	France	24th	F	412
12	Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly	England	16th	F	390
13	Le Postillion	France	9th	F	389
14	Der Philatelist	Germany	31st	M	383
15	Philatelic Record	England	32nd	M	374
16	Collectionneur de Timbres-Poste	France	46th	M	352
17	L'Ami des Timbres	"	29	(dead)	343
18	Nederlandsch Tijdschrift voor Postzegelkunde	Holland	27th	M	304
19	Philatelic Monthly and World	U. S.	26	(dead)	301
20	Daily Stamp Item	"	1	"	285
21	Gibbons' Stamp Weekly	England	6th	W	269
22	Schweizer Briefmarken-Zeitung	Switzerland	23rd	M	266
23	Philatelisten-Zeitung	Germany	23rd	M	266
24	Deutsche Briefmarken-Zeitung	"	21st	M	242
25	L'Annonce Timbrologie	France	21st	M	238
26	Vertrauliches Korrespondenz-Blatt	Germany	20th	M	230
27	Moniteur de Collectionneur	France	20th	M	230
28	Philatelic Journal of Great Britain	England	20th	M	230
29	American Journal of Philately	U. S.	19	(dead)	228
30	Revue Philatelique Francaise	France	21st	M	219
31	London Philatelist	England	19th	M	218
32	Stanley Gibbons' Monthly Journal	"	18	(dead)	216
33	Philatelistische Nachrichten	Germany	18th	M	206
34	Die Post	"	17th	M	194
35	Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidskrift	Denmark	17th	M	194
36	Australian Philatelist	N. S. W.	16th	M	187
37	Mekeel's Stamp Collector	U. S.	4	(dead)	172
38	Cesky Filateliska	Austria	15th	M	170
39	Internationales Offertenblatt fur Philatelie	Germany	15th	M	170
40	Philatelic Journal of India	India	14th	M	158
41	Der Briefmarkenhander	Germany	14th	M	158
42	The Stamp Collector	England	14th	M	158
43	American Journal of Philately (1st Series)	U. S.	11	(dead)	152
44	Madrid Filatelico	Spain	13th	M	146
45	Philatelic West	U. S.	15th	M	145?
46	Stamp Collectors' Magazine	England	12	(dead)	144
47	Redfield's Stamp Weekly	U. S.	3rd	W	141
48	Revista Argentina	Argentine	14th	M	138
49	Eastern Philatelist	U. S.	12	(dead)	135
50	Philatelic Journal of America	"	11	"	127
51	Postage Stamp	England	3rd	W	126
52	The Philatelist	"	10	(dead)	121
53	Post Card	U. S.	6	"	117
54	El Filatelico Espanol	Spain	11th	M	113
55	Ungarischer Briefmarken-Sammler	Hungary	10th	M	110
56	Filatelic Facts and Fallacies	U. S.	9	(dead)	108
57	Philatelic World	"	9	"	108
58	Svensk Filatelistisk Tidskrift	Sweden	11th	M	104
59	Quaker City Philatelist	U. S.	9	(dead)	103

* M=Monthly, F=Fortnightly, T=Three times a month, W=Weekly.

DINNER TO W. W. RANDALL.

A delightful informal dinner was held at the Crawford House, Boston, last Saturday evening, Feb. 19, under the auspices of the entertainment committee of the Boston Philatelic Society, James C. Woolley chairman.

Mr. W. W. Randall, the well known envelope specialist, was the honored guest of the party of fourteen that was gathered at this famed hostelry at very short notice to meet him just prior to his departure for Providence.

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Seated at the head of the table was Pres. Wylie of the B. P. S. with Mr. Randall at his right and Mr. Barrett on his left. No speech-making was indulged in except a brief presentation of Mr. Randall followed with a response in similar vein.

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162	1873, 12c black violet..	.50	.30	.25	.15
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I find that there is a convincing oral tradition in favor of the attribution to Frederick Heath. Writing in 1884 to Notes and Queries, Mr. Algernon Graves described a series of proofs of the 1d black, formerly in his possession, and said that "the commission to engrave the first postage stamp was originally given to Charles Heath, but as he feared that his eye-sight was not good enough for such fine work, he handed it over to his son Frederick. About 20 years ago Mr. D. T. White presented me with six impressions printed direct from the copper plates (i. e., the original dies); these had been given him many years before by Frederick Heath. This David Thomas White was a fine-art publisher, of Maddox street, and died about 1868, and Mr. Graves personally confirmed to me in the strongest manner his recollection of White's distinct statement as to the authorship of the engraving, a statement made direct to Mr. White by Frederick Heath himself. Unless therefore we have further evidence to show that Charles Heath was the actual engraver, and not merely that he contracted and dealt with Perkins, Bacon & Co., as the ostensible engraver, I must believe that the work was that of his son.

It is a somewhat curious fact that while Charles Heath's output of engravings was large and his works widely published, Frederick's name as an engraver seems to be unknown to authorities on the subject and no biographical information about him is available.

It may be of interest to give a short account of the rejected and adopted dies of the first postage stamp, and this I propose to do next month, but I may say here it is quite possible that the rejected die was really the work of Charles Heath. It may not have been until he actually did some experimental work that he found the task too much for him.

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A GOOD BEGINNING.

When the WEEKLY issued its 900th number, March 28, 1908, there appeared in the paper, a historical sketch of the publication from its inception to the date of the number in question; and this account we now repeat with such additions and alterations as are found advisable.

The first number of MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS was issued January 7th, 1891, by the C. H. Mekeel Stamp and Publishing Company, St. Louis, Mo., and from the very beginning was looked upon as a real necessity by every collector who possessed a spark of collecting enthusiasm. The investment that the paper represented soon grew to be a large one as the founders builded broadly and firmly. I. A. Mekeel was installed as editor and he served readers to their liking, making a decided success as literary provider. In 1897 business exigencies affected the affairs of the firm publishing the WEEKLY to such an extent that the paper, April 8, 1897, was leased to I. A. Mekeel, who shortly afterwards, became the owner, outright. Mr. Mekeel first attended to clearing up the subscription lists; this done, he started an active campaign for live readers. He recognized the advertising necessities of American dealers and started to make his publication their salesman. He began to issue special numbers; a successful Boston special was succeeded by a New York special that was a turning point in the fortunes of the new owner of the paper. The number, dated November 11th, 1897, dedicated to philately in the American metropolis was a pretentious one and represented a large outlay, in view of the fact that each recipient of the number was sent a personal letter soliciting active good-will. The number was profusely illustrated and covered its subject in an admirable way. Enterprise was rewarded and Mr. Mekeel found old and new subscribers flocking to his standard.

Mr. Mekeel's idea of making the WEEKLY the dealer's representative advertising medium so grew upon him as the subscription list expanded, that he began to cast about for assistance to accomplish his end; and after a protracted period of negotiation with C. E. Severn, Chicago, as befitting the importance of the transaction (as it seemed to the principals at the time) Mr. Severn became editor of the WEEKLY and owner of one-tenth interest in it. Mr. Severn had long been a regular contributor to the paper.

A product of Mr. Mekeel's energy was the great Brooklyn Institute number of which over one hundred thousand copies were printed and circulated. Advertising in this recruiting number, conceived in honor of the recognition of philately as a science by the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences, cost seven times as much as that in ordinary issues, and the dealers patronized the columns liberally. This edition, easily the largest ever printed of a single number of a stamp paper, was mailed at an expense of $152.27, its weight having been 15,227 pounds. In 1899, Mr. Mekeel spent some months in Europe and while in London, he approached dealers on the proposition of a London special, to which they gave appreciative ear. This large number appeared on January 4th, 1900, with forty pages and special cover, twenty-four of which were of advertising, chiefly of English dealers. The reading pages contained graphic descriptions of all phases of philatelic life in the metropolis of the world and the number was hailed with the warmest praise everywhere. In November, 1900, a Chinese special number with illuminated cover was a popular triumph; it was published at a time when the eyes of the world were on that country, and in the issue, the stamps of China and other Asiatic countries were treated exhaustively by experts. No other issue ever brought forth a heartier measure of commendation.

In 1901, Mr. Mekeel went to New York and the business office of the paper was removed there without a hitch, while the printing of the paper was done at Smethport, Pa. Subsequently, the printing was done at New York, the business office having been installed in the building in which the WEEKLY was printed, a property used by the corporation in which Mr. Mekeel had become interested upon going to New York. The Mekeel-Redfield-Severn Company was incorporated in this year with a capital of $50,000 the name being changed in 1907 to the Mekeel-Severn-Wylie Co. Special issues of the paper were continued, a Pan-American special having been the most notable of those of that period. The record for special issues was continued in 1902 and in 1903, March, a "World-Wide" number was a crowning achievement that reflected the universality of philately.

By the beginning of 1904, Mr. Mekeel found it impossible to give adequate time to the direction of the business affairs of the WEEKLY. In fact, by reason of the lack of attention to the subscription list it lost some of its vitality, and this condition, which was wholly at odds with Mr. Mekeel's great interest in the paper could not be tolerated. Consequently it was decided that the business management of the paper should be reinvigorated, and a selection of the proper man who preferably combined the elements making for success both in an editorial and business sense was studied. Willard O. Wylie, Boston, had long been in close touch with the WEEKLY as contributor and advertiser. He had done telling work on special editions, and it was natural that he should be the logical choice of the proprietors for the place. Messrs. Mekeel and Severn bought the *Weekly Philatelic Era*, a popular publication conducted by W. W. Jewett, and transferred it from Portland, Maine, and placed it under the management of Mr. Wylie. Mr. Wylie made a success of his work, and in March, 1904, the *Weekly Philatelic Era* was merged into MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS, whose publication began from its new headquarters in Boston. Mr. Wylie has justified the confidence that was felt in his ability, and has labored intelligently and indefatigably for the welfare of the paper. He thoroughly identified himself with the WEEKLY and soon acquired an interest, financially in it. He has attended to the multifarious duties of his position with almost uniform satisfaction, and there is no gainsaying his enthusiasm in his work. He is at once, aggressive, and progressive in his business methods, and in an editorial capacity he exercises good judgment and the proper journalistic instinct. He has been unremitting in his efforts to upbuild the circulation of the paper and has been untiring in his endeavors to accent its superiority.

The frequent special issues of the paper are planned and brought to successful fruition by Mr. Wylie; they pay worthy tribute to his acumen and ability in his chosen field. Not alone does he concern himself with the more commanding affairs of his office for he has a complete mastery of the many details that enter into the publishing of a journal of this kind.

Mr. Mekeel's success in New York City has been impressive and he has achieved a position in trade paper circles that is eminent, indeed, and while unable to give much active attention to the paper, he cherishes it in no ordinary way. Mr. Severn attends to the financial end of the WEEKLY and shares the editorial work with Mr. Wylie; his interest in the paper is active but every detail of the editorial work does not repose on him now, as was the case formerly for many years.

The Mekeel-Severn-Wylie Company is a Massachusetts corporation, in which the president, I. A. Mekeel, owns the controlling interest, or 251 shares; Chas. E. Severn is treasurer, with 199 shares in his name; and Willard O. Wylie, clerk, has 50 shares.

Newfoundland

			Cat. Price.	My Price
1	1857	1p brown violet	$2.00	$0.90
3		3p green	2.00	.90
5		5p violet brown	2.00	.90
8		8p scarlet vermilion	12.50	6.00
11		2p orange	10.00	5.50
12		4p orange	20.00	10.00
18	1863	4p lake	1.00	.45
18		4p "	4.00	1.90
19		5p reddish brown	2.00	.85
19a		5p orange brown	3.00	1.55
20		6p lake	.60	.25
21		6½p "	2.00	.90
23		1sh "	1.50	.70
24	1866	2c green	1.00	.40
25		5c brown	6.50	4.00
26		10c black	1.50	.70
27		12c pale red brown	1.00	.40
28		13c orange	1.25	.50
29		24c blue	1.00	.40
30a		1c brown lilac	1.50	.68
32		3c blue	.75	.35
33		5c black	3.50	1.60
37		3c blue	.50	.24
38		5c "	.35	.15
42		3c blue	1.25	.25

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Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

A. P. S. HISTORICAL NOTES.

By H. A. DAVIS, Pres. Colo. Branch No. 22.

Year 1904, 19th Annual Convention.

Secretary Eaton mailed the Year Book about the middle of January.

In March, the Board of Vice Presidents who were instructed by the Clayton convention to pass on the legality of foreign proxies being voted without first being verified by a United States consul, made their report. The result was: "The Board finds and reports that the convention and its Committee on Credentials erred in rejecting the foreign proxies because of their non-authentification before a United States consul." This report went very deeply into the matter, quoting from various authorities and precedents.

On May 28th, President Holland announced the call for the 19th annual convention to be held at Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 9th. The following nominations were made by the Chicago Branch, and published July 2nd: President, H. E. Deats, New Jersey; Vice Presidents, F. H. Burt, Gordon Ireland and W. O. Wylie, all of Mass.; Secretary, D. T. Eaton, Iowa; Treasurer, C. L. Annan, Minn.; Int. Sec., E. Doeblin, Pa.; Directors, W. E. Loy, Calif., and J. S. Rich, New York.

On July 30th occurred the death of Geo. W. Rode of Pittsburg, Pa., an active member of the A. P. A. and chairman of the Committee on Credentials at the 19th annual convention, which was called to order by V. President Burt in the absence of President Holland, Aug. 9th. The sessions were held in the Carnegie Institute.

There were about 60 members present and 331 represented by proxy. The Secretary's report showed a membership of 608, a gain of 48 for the fiscal year. The Treasurer's report showed receipts to be $764.63, the expenses were $691.27; balance in Gen. Fund, $166.35; Stock Fund, $1936.00; Insurance Fund, $1024.26 and Exchange Fund, $8.75.

The Sales Supt. reported sales to the amount of $3551.12. Mr. Doeblin gave a reception to the visiting delegates at his home on Monday evening. A literary session was held at the Carnegie Institute on Tuesday evening. A banquet was tendered the delegates on Wednesday evening at Hotel Henry.

The Supt. of Sales was voted a salary of $25.00 besides his 10 per cent commission on sales. Minneapolis was voted the convention seat for 1905. MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS was voted as official organ.

Several sections in the by-laws relating to the Sales Dept. were changed and new ones added, such as compelling the owner of books to attach his name to the cover; that if a circuit was retained over three days a fine was attached, etc.

A new "order of business" was drawn up and incorporated in the by-laws. Several articles and sections were renumbered to suit the revisions.

The ticket as nominated by the Chicago Branch was elected. W. O. Staab was appointed Sales Supt.

(*To be continued.*)

Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

U. S. OFFICIAL SEALS.

By L. HARALD KJELLSTEDT.

The only available information on these interesting labels, covering all issues up to 1891, is found in Mr. John N. Luff's standard work, "The Postage Stamps of the United States," and the chapter dealing with the subject mentioned was also printed in the *American Journal of Philately*, Vol. 13, No. 5, pages 172 to 178 inclusive. As these two sources of information may not be at hand to the greater number of collectors of the present day, I have been requested to write an article which will incorporate the most important of the data collected by Mr. Luff and also bring the subject up to the present date, as far as this is possible with the meagre information at hand.

From a strictly philatelic point of view, the "Official Seals" could hardly support a claim to space in a collection of postage stamps, although past and present collectors of U. S. issues have willingly granted them such space without much argument pro or con. It is naturally this interest on the part of American collectors in the labels concerned which caused them to be incorporated in the work referred to above as well as listed in our own Standard Catalogue, Kohl's large Catalogue and Handbook, and the official catalogue of the French society. Senf's catalogue also refers to them, but none lists and illustrates them as fully as the "Catalogue Officiel."

The official seals are adhesive labels of various designs, having no expressed value, their only relation to postage stamps being their use on mail matter by postal authorities. The first seal, intended for the sealing of the large envelopes in which registered letters were enclosed, was announced February 14th, 1872, but evidently appeared somewhat later because the first description of this label is found in the *American Journal of Philately* for June, 1872. This seal was engraved on steel and reproduced by typographic process. In the middle is a circle with the enclosed area consisting of radiating lines. Around the circle is a white band with the inscription "Stamp here date and place of mailing." At the left, in three curved lines, is the inscription "Post Office Department" and at the right, similarly arranged, "United States of America." The background consists of ruled horizontal lines with the word "Registered," in large, shaded capitals, running across the circular area as well as the inscriptions. In the corners are ornamentations surrounding little tablets which in the upper corners have a monogramed "U S" and in the lower corners "POD" interlaced. A single frame line surrounds the entire design forming a horizontal rectangle 72x40 mm. The paper is white wove, the perforation 12, and the color runs in a number of shades from pale yellow green to dark green. The labels exist imperforate as well as imperforate at either top or bottom and are also found on pelure and horizontally laid paper. The plates were made by the National Bank Note Company and had neither imprint nor plate numbers. The use of this seal was discontinued in 1875. In 1880 it was reprinted, the reprints being distinguished by a whiter paper and a bluish green color.

The next class of seals are those inscribed and familiarly known as "officially sealed." They were designed to be used on letters opened in the Dead Letter office, or letters opened by mistake, or damaged in transit. The first of these seals appeared during the early part of 1877, probably in January, and was nicely engraved in taille douce on steel. The design shows a central oval medallion with a full face head of Liberty. On tablets at the left and right of this medallion are the words "officially" and "sealed," respectively, in capital letters. Above this, in a curved line, is the inscription "Post Office Department" in shaded block letters, and in two curved lines below are the words "United States of America" in "Old English" style. Each corner shows the letters "U. S." in monogram. The background consists of the words "Post obitum," numerously repeated, in very small Roman capitals. The design is surrounded by a rectangular frame with rounded corners which is composed of vertically ruled lines, and is so shaded, that it seems to stand out from the rest of the design. In the bottom part of the frame is found the imprint, "National Bank Note Company, New York." The plates had no plate number and consisted of one hundred stamps in ten rows of ten. The paper used for these labels was white wove, thin and hard. The perforation was 12 and the colors dark brown and dark red brown.

In a redrawn design, a second issue of this seal appeared in May, 1879. The words "Post obitum," with their jocular reference to the Dead Letter office, disappeared and a background consisting of a loop pattern was substituted. Two plates are known to have been made for this issue. The first provided for one hundred impressions in ten rows of ten. The second plate gave fifty impressions in ten rows of five. This plate had the imprint "American Bank Note Company, New York" in each of its four margins and the plate number "2" punched in the upper margin.

Seals of this issue are generally found on a thin, hard, semi-transparent, white wove paper but copies exist which are printed on a soft porous paper. The perforation is the regular 12 and the color varies from brown and yellow brown to dark red brown. The outside dimensions of the design are the same as on that of its predecessor, or 44x27½ mm.

These seals were of a rather pleasing appearance, but for the sake of economy the authorities decided to employ a cheaper method for the production. The result was a new issue, photo engraved and typographically printed, which appeared in June, 1888. The first lot turned out was anything but pleasing. Coarsely engraved and considerably blurred in the printing they contrasted strongly and unfavorably with previous issues. The only difference in the design was the disappearance of the imprint of the American Bank Note Company in the bottom part of the frame. The paper is thick and ordinarily soft and porous. The size is 44x27½ mm., according to Mr. Luff, but copies in the writer's possession measure 44x27 exactly. These seals are found imperforate, perforated 12, and imperforate vertically. In 1891 they appeared rouletted 5½. The color offers a great variety of shades in chocolate brown, and rose-, bistre- and gray-brown. The later printings of this seal show a marked improvement in clearness of impressions. All the seals of this issue were printed by the Government Printing Office which is an establishment entirely separate from the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. The latter office never had, nor has it today anything to do with the manufacture of official seals.

February, 1889, brought forth a new result of a further attempt at governmental economizing in the form of typeset seals of the simplest design. The following quotation from Mr. Luff's work throws considerable light on the circumstances connected with this issue: "The Post Office Department appears, at one time, to have compelled postmasters to provide stationery and many office fixtures at their own expense. This was probably due to insufficient appropriations by Congress. In many volumes of the *Postal Guide* will be found the advertisements of firms who dealt in cancelling stamps, pads, inks, blank-books, etc., etc. I am told that, in at least one number of this publication, official seals, such as are about to be described, were offered for sale. Most of them are said to have been made by a firm of printers 'up in New York State,' and the advertisement referred to was probably theirs."

This seal consists of a rectangle, 47x29 mm., made up of border type in the form of scalloped lines. A little above the middle of the seal it is crossed horizontally by two heavy parallel lines enclosing the inscription "Officially Sealed," printed in large capitals and having a square period at the end. Above this inscription, and outside of the heavy lines, are the words "U. S. Post Office Department" and below is the inscription "Opened through mistake by." At the bottom is a dotted line intended for signature. The paper is a rose colored wove of medium thickness and soft in texture. The printing is in black ink and the labels are imperforate.

A second type of this seal has the border of a widely spaced Greek pattern and is larger in size or 50½x29 mm. It is on white wove paper and imperforate. Nothing is known as to the date of its appearance.

A third variety of type set seals was announced in the *American Journal of Philately* for August 15, 1890. The border on this seal is of a different Greek pattern, more compressed, and enclosed between dotted frame lines. The outside dimensions of this border are 50½x29. Across the center of the seal run two closely dotted lines, nearly 6 mm. apart, and between them is the inscription "Officially Sealed" in fancy capitals. In the upper field of the label are the words "U. S. Post Office Department" in a curved line with a little ornament below the word "Office." In the bottom field is the inscription "Opened through mistake by" with a dotted line for signature. There are two main varieties of this seal, depending on the existence or non-existence of a large round period between the words "Officially" and "Sealed." It is printed in black on white wove paper and the separating method used is rouletting in black, measuring in different cases 11½ and 16½; 11½ and 12½, and 12½. The variety having the period referred to above generally comes in vertical pairs, imperforate with the exception of a rouletted line between the labels. The seals without the period are generally found in blocks of four, with two labels placed tete beche to the other two, and rouletted both vertically and horizontally between the labels. There are several varieties, depending on the presence or absence of the period, the rouletting, the tete beche arrangement, or a combination of two or all three of these features.

In 1891 the typographed seal of the type of 1879 reappeared in brown color and measuring a scant 44 mm. by 27 mm. The paper is wove and varies in thickness. The perforation is 12. A reissue of the same type undoubtedly took place during 1902-04, offering a number of shades of red brown, dark red brown, brown and dark brown. The paper is white wove of medium thickness. Besides being perforated 12 the seals of this issue are found imperforate either vertically or horizontally. The sheets as issued consist of 4 horizontal rows of 5 seals each. The outside dimensions of the design are 45x28 mm. and the spacing between the seals measures 3 mm.

In 1907 a seal of the same type as previous but of smaller size and with the color changed to blue made its appearance. As the design conforms so closely with that of the previous typographed issues one is apt to believe this blue seal to be a photographic reduction of the former. A minute examination will show that there are quite marked differences in the design. Looking for instance, at the left hand frame we find on the brown seals 9 fine vertical lines ruled between the outside frame line and the inside heavy line. On the blue seals we only find 7 such lines. The faces on the center medallions also indicate differences.

These blue seals are issued in sheets of 20, consisting of 4 horizontal rows of 5. They are delivered to the postmasters bound in books of 50 sheets. The paper is white wove, thin, hard and quite transparent. The design measures 38x23½ mm. and the spacing between the seals is 3½ mm. The perforation is 12. So far, the only shades observed have been a lighter and a darker blue. On a full sheet of these seals in the writer's collection the watermark "Rolle" was found along the two right hand stamps in the bottom row. This watermark is part of the name "Rolleston Mills" which thus, undoubtedly, furnish the paper used for these seals.

The writer has been in communication with the Third and Fourth Assistant Postmaster Generals who, in their turn, have had the matter taken up by the Chief Clerk of the P. O. Department and the Chief Clerk of the Division of Dead Letters, but no further data in regard to the later issues of seals could be obtained. The Fourth Assistant Postmaster General expressing his regret as to the scantiness of the information forwarded says: "An employee, Henry A. Kelly, Special Agent, Division of Classification, states informally that several years ago he prepared some data on this subject, which he is unable to furnish at this time."

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Ten Hundred Times—For one thousand weeks this paper has been making its weekly visits with practically unbroken regularity. Its uninterrupted publication for so long a period of time first of all is a tribute to the permanency of philately. Years ago, it was a subject for some lamentation on the part of the writers of those days that philately, while exercising its sway over a multitude of collectors at any stated time, yet did not securely hold the interest of its followers for a desirable length of time. In some measure, the WEEKLY proves that the spell of collecting is not a transitory one as on its list of readers are the names of a considerable number who have subscribed for the paper from the first number to the one thousandth. MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS now presents by its "Number 1000" tangible evidence of the substantiality of philately. With the years, the pursuit has become the more firmly established by reason of its amplified and developing attractions and the WEEKLY has shared in the favors that have been a result of this progress. Further, it may fairly be said that this paper is to be credited for encouraging the advance and that it, having played a leading part in the promotion of the cause to which it is dedicated, should participate in the returns that unwavering allegiance deserve.

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Nearly Twenty Years—The thousand numbers of the paper tell the story of the hobby from the beginning of 1891 to the present day. They reflect the moderate, the popular and the human side of philately more faithfully than any other consecutive record; there is no other stamp paper that has published so many numbers; and the historian who undertakes a survey of the last twenty years must rely upon this paper as his chief resource for material. The one thousand weeks mark the passing of one generation and the entrance of another. Conditions have changed with the times and we believe that a steady improvement has resulted. Serious problems that have beset philately in the past were solved and their worst effect was to halt temporarily the onward march of the hobby; indeed, it is not likely that the future will reveal obstacles more difficult to overcome than some of those which have been surmounted. The WEEKLY has lived a long time and the twenty years of its life is almost one half of the age of philately. While there were many stamp papers of high quality and excellent stamp catalogues and also flourishing dealers, yet it was not until about 1870 that philately was an organized factor and attracted any serious attention.

Survival of the Fittest—The longevity of the WEEKLY while due largely to the sustaining power of the hobby is to be attributed to several other reasons as well. During its career innumerable papers have come and gone. Daily, weekly and monthly publications have made their entrances and their exits on the philatelic stage. The WEEKLY survives and looks forward to many years of usefulness. It is something to know that the paper is a fixture and that it has proved that it does not succumb to adverse conditions that are the consequence of national depression; and that it is as much of a certainty as any human agency may well be. The success of the paper was greatly encouraged by the care and intelligence shown by its founders. The policy of the WEEKLY is one calculated to meet the popular idea. Through long experience, the publishers have gained an insight into the needs and inclinations of the average collector and the understanding of what is most acceptable to the representative philatelist comes with years of actual contact. The WEEKLY has the sincere conviction that it has grown to have the broadest and most intimate view of vital, living conditions as they exist in the philatelic world today. It knows when theory no matter in how appealing and attractive a guise should give way to the practical part and recognizes the different elements that enter into the philatelic whole; in its columns all of them are so treated as to harmonize all interests and to promote a geniality among all who acknowledge the sway of philately.

Just Itself—One reason for the prominent position occupied by this paper is that it has no side-lines to exploit and no underlying interests to cultivate. It endeavors to spread the doctrine of philately by pleasant means and does not yield to the impulse unless a real necessity arises to emphasize the harsher aspects which may be found in philately but more uncommonly than in kindred pursuits. The man who collects stamps for recreation is a rather sensitive person and he does not relish the din of petty, purposeless strife. As a rule, it is stamps themselves that give him pleasure and he does not concern himself very closely with the associations of stamps. The aim of this paper is to base on a foundation of stamps a cheerful sense of suggestion. To care for the young collector; to cultivate the experienced collector and to cherish the veteran collector is our creed. We realize the wonderful possibility of the future of collecting and will continue to assist in the development of the pursuit by improvements in the WEEKLY that will soon be manifest.

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MR. PACK'S URUGUAYS.

By J. Murray Bartels.

Few collectors not connected with a philatelic society have any idea to what extent a specialized collection is carried by some of our noted collectors. It was indeed a treat to the Boston Philatelic Society on January 18th to have the privilege of a thorough inspection of Mr. Charles Lathrop Pack's wonderful collection of Uruguay. This has been recently remounted by a well-known philatelist, who has been spending several hours a day for several months, arranging and lettering this wonderful lot of Uruguay stamps, which now fill no less than seven albums, containing a total of about 420 pages. Collectors will ask: "How is it possible to fill so many with the stamps of one country?" But if they could see the Pack collection it would be plain to them at once. One of the features in this mounting is the giving of plenty of space to everything that warrants it. Every scarce stamp has a row to itself. There are five lines of stamps on a page and sometimes scarcely more than that many specimens, as all of them are rare and generally require some special remarks to indicate a variety or something else of interest. This most effective lettering is done by pen, in india ink. The letters are all one millimeter in height and consist of upright capitals, all of the simple block-letter type. Collectors have frequently looked carefully to see whether the inscriptions were really made by pen or printed, and it cannot be emphasized too strongly what a great gain it is to a collection to have it properly mounted and lettered.

Mr. Pack has been collecting Uruguay for a number of years and had a splendid lot of them. Last year he had the opportunity of buying the collection of an English specialist, also some superb early Uruguay stamps from the Tiffany Collection, while before and since then he has bought many others from dealers and at auctions, so that now his collection is certainly without a rival.

Let us run briefly through the various issues and point out the principal items of interest, including as they do varieties that have not been heretofore mentoned or listed.

1856. "The Diligencia Issue." 60c Blue—eleven copies in all, three shades of blue ranging from pale blue to a deep black blue. There is also the variety with the figures "6" and "0" one millimeter apart instead of close together. With one exception all are unused. The rare variety of this stamp with the side ornaments consisting of vertical lines instead of the Greek border is also represented. This stamp is listed by Gibbons, who states that "Unused copies have been found on old letters; it was therefore probably issued for postal use."

80c Green—twenty-seven copies including a splendid block of four, all unused. The shades range from a very pale to a dark green and also a very marked copy of dull blue green. There are quite a number of line varieties, especially showing double lines somewhere in the design. Variations in the spacing of the figures "8" and "0" as well as the letters, are quite numerous. The block of four is undoubtedly the only one in this country.

1r Vermilion—twenty-three copies, all unused. A wonderful arrangement of shades and numerous varieties of lines and spacings. Mr. Pack expects shortly to reconstruct the plate.

1857. This issue begins with a set of essays similar to the regular design, but with inscription "Diligencia" at top and ornaments at sides.

180c Green—shown in a block of four, and *240c Vermilion*—seem to complete the set of two.

1857. The scarce *120c Blue* stamp is represented by fourteen unused and four used copies which are described as pale blue, blue, deep blue and slate blue. Here we find not only the great rarity of the collection, but one of the greatest rarities in all the world—*a tete beche pair of the 120c blue.* This is the only copy known to philately, and valued approximately at $1500 to $2000. (See illustration.)

180c Green—A wonderful range of shades embracing twenty-five fine unused and four used copies, which vary in color from a very pale dull green to a deep dark shade. Some of them are worn impressions, while others are early printings.

240c Vermilion—These fill four pages and are divided into pale vermilion, vermilion, dull red, deep vermilion and brown red; of the latter, five fine copies. There is a very striking square block of eight stamps with a blank space in the center, showing the place where a cliche of the error 180 had been removed. Each plate of the 240c should have contained 204 stamps (12x17) but was actually composed of 197 stamps, owing to seven blank spaces as in this instance.

There is also a tete beche block of the essay or proof very similar in design, but the type of letters is slightly different. This block had been curiously folded in center and afterwards punched with two circular holes on each stamp.

1859. Thin Numerals. Numerous shades, pairs and blocks of four or more of all stamps; also a fine lot of used showing interesting cancellations, several of them on entire envelopes. This set takes in twenty pages. Of the 180c there is a pair on blue paper believed to be a proof; also an unofficially perforated copy of the same stamp. An entire sheet consisting of 204 stamps has been mounted in six sections, showing the make-up of the plate in repetitions of 20 varieties.

1860. Thick Numerals. 60c Lilac—Three pages of singles and pairs, also three blocks of four unused and a page of used copies. The shades are here described as dull purple, slate purple, brown purple, pale brown, purple brown, and gray purple. These must be seen to be appreciated. The other values of this set are similarly represented. Of the 180c there are several types show-

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1864. 6c—There are fully as many shades in this stamp as any other of Uruguay; a row or two of each of the following colors, all unused: Pale red orange, red orange, pale rose, rose, dull rose red, deep rose, deep rose red and brick red. These are followed by a similar lot of used stamps. Attention is called to numerous varieties, the damaged "L" in Republica, the difference in width of the spacing in front of "06" which seems to vary from ½ to 1½ mm.; a variety with a flaw resembling a small "y" over "ri" of Oriental appears several times.

8c Green—There are many fine shades of this stamp. The tete beche is shown in a block of four. The 10c and 12c are splendidly represented by numerous shades, pairs, etc., unused and used and on original covers. Similar varieties of spacing as described in the 6c are found throughout this set.

1866. This issue occupies fourteen pages and is complete in the varieties which are generally listed. These include double and treble surcharges of the new values, tete beche pairs, several blocks of four and a complete pane of 56 of the 20 on 6c. The peculiarity in the tete beche pairs of the 10c is the printing of the surcharge to correspond with the inverted position of the stamp, so that the inverted surcharge is not found on the stamp which appears tete beche.

1866. Numeral Issue. No stamps of Uruguay are more prolific in varieties than this design which appears imperforate and perforated.

5c—Six shades each represented by several unused and several used copies which might be called the normal stamp. Each variety is then similarly depicted by a number of copies including shades. An interesting vertical pair shows numeral with white flag at top and the variety "Entesimos" on the bottom stamp. An unlisted variety is the "S" of Centesimos larger and apart from the "O". This appears on Nos. 4 and 14 in the tenth row. We find a page of the variety showing a dash instead of the "S" in Centesimos. The variety with no shading under the horse is listed by Gibbons; these are Nos. 1 and 11 in the tenth row. Another unlisted variety is the missing inner curved line of the numeral in center of stamp over the arms, Nos. 2 and 12 in sixth row. This same inner curved line is merged with the outer line on Nos. 2 and 12 in the tenth row. Nos. 8 and 18 in the 19th row show a short oblique line over the horse's head. The variety "I" for "T" in Centesimos in last line of background on left appears in Nos. 7 and 17 in fifth row.

10c—It is demonstrated that the colors of these stamps can be divided into pale green, pale yellow green, yellow green, green, deep green and blue green. All of them are well represented in the collection. Most of them include pairs, strips and a block. The commonly listed varieties all appear in several copies. Among those unlisted we find a missing "E" from background at right of castle. (Nos. 46, 56, 134, 146.) The short oblique line under the ox and letters missing under the horse appear on No. 2, while Nos. 4, 5 and 6 show a double line over Montevideo. Three instead of two lines under the horse appear many times on a plate. On Nos. 64, 74, 152, 163, 174 the dash after Centesimos in the "O" has been omitted. There is no shading under the serif of the large figure "1" in Nos. 9, 109, 119 and 120. Another marked variety is portrayed by two lines of inscription in the background under the numerals instead of one.

15c—This value like the 5c was printed in sheets of 190 (19x10). Six shades of yellow are noted in the collection.

20c—These are divided into pale rose, dull rose red, bright rose red, rose lake, dull rose, and dull lake. The principal varieties are: No dash in "O" below ox; no dashes in "O" either below ox or above castle; and "I" missing from background at right in next to bottom line.

1c Black—There are two pages showing shades of black and gray black, unused and used. An interesting card-board proof shows a small circle in the design to the left of mountain. This variety is listed as a stamp and would be worth finding. This issue is also shown in card-board proofs in the regular colors as well as the 5c and 10c in black.

1872. Large Numerals. Perforated. 5c—Nineteen pages of the 5c stamp begin this issue. First of all we have the Normal stamp divided by perforations into 11½, 12, 12½ and 13. Then we find the numeral with white head in four perforations. These are followed by the other varieties as listed in the catalogue, some of them appearing in blocks and pairs. Among the varieties not already mentioned under the imperforate stamp we find the "O" missing in lower line of background on right, Nos. 7 and 17 in 6th row. There is a small flat bottomed "S" a larger distance from the "O" in Nos. 4 and 14 in the 3rd row. The "S" is very small and far from the "O" in Nos. 2 and 12 in the 5th row. The "S" of Centesimos is entirely missing in Nos. 1 and 11 in the 7th row. There is an extra line of shading under the head and along the stem of the numeral in Nos. 8 and 18 in the 10th row. The outer line at the left of the scales is entirely omitted in Nos. 3 and 13 in the 3rd row. The inner line of shading under the numeral at the left of the horse is omitted in Nos. 2 and 12 in the 9th row. There is a line something like a flag pole extending diagonally to the right from the center of the castle group on Nos. 1 and 11 in the 2nd row.

The peculiarity about the 5c and 15c values is the rather odd number of 190 stamps to the sheet, being composed of ten horizontal rows of 19, while the 10c stamp was printed in sheets of 200 (20x10).

10c—Besides a complete sheet which has been divided into sections filling four pages we find six pages of the stamp in the collection. The colors are green, light green, deep green, pale yellow green, and deep yellow green. The perforations are noted as 10, 12, 12½, 13 and 13½. The principal varieties of this denomination are as follows, each of which are found several times on a sheet:

a—No shading under the tip of large numeral 1;
b—Half letters at bottom of background;
c—Double line after Montevideo;
d—Three lines under horse;
e—"R" instead of "E" in Centesimos;
f—"I" instead of "T" in Centesimos;
g—"I" of Centesimos missing;
h—"E" missing from background at right of castle;
i—Broken panel in "O" under ox;
j—Two lines of inscription in background over Montevideo;
k—Oblique dash under ox;
l—No dash after Centesimos;
m—Double inner line at top;
n—Half letters at top of background;
o—Letters missing under horse;
p—Horizontal line joining tops of large numerals;

15c—Here we find several shades ranging from pale yellow to orange yellow. The perforations are given as 9x10, 9½, 10½, 12½ and 13.

20c Rose—The perforations are the same as before; the colors, deep rose, rose lake, pale rose, rose, bright rose, dull rose, dull rose red, deep rose red and dull lake. A variety appears several times showing no dashes in "O" above castle or below ox. Another one is the same variety but with the usual dash above the castle.

The 10c stamp is shown in several copies cut diagonally in halves and used as 5c, while a similar page shows the imperforate 10c stamp used the same way; also one-quarter of the 20c stamp and one-third of the 15c stamp, used for the same value. This set is followed by some interesting essays made by M. Welker of Montevideo in imitation of the 1864 issue of the German Empire.

1877 to 1879. A page of each denomination is shown including numerous shades, pairs, etc. Of the *10c* there is a vertical pair, imperf. horizontally and of the 1p an imperf. horizontal pair.

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Official Stamps.—These form an extensive group and are being arranged in similar manner according to varieties of perforation, inverted and double surcharges, etc. These are not absolutely complete in all minor varieties according to Scott, but the gaps are not numerous.

It will be readily seen that scarcely any other Uruguay collection could be favorably compared with the one which has been described in this article. It is certainly a striking example of how far specialism can be carried along certain lines, and also how many new discoveries in a chosen direction can be made by a careful student of philately.

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Even now more remains to be learned. Some questions are still unsolved. It is said that in England an attempt is being made to reconstruct original sheets of the Diligencia issue and as it progresses further a work is expected from the pen of Mr. Hugo Griebert who has been a specialist in studying the stamps of Uruguay, having himself formed a large collection.

Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

THE TIPPING OF THE SCALES.

By CHARLES E. JENNEY.

Commercialism is enevitably connected with philately and the fact is not to be lamented. It has put the fad on a stable basis not excelled by any other known fad; it has brought the collectors of the whole world in close touch; it has been the direct means of the preservation of thousands of scarce stamps by non-collectors, that would otherwise not grace our collections today; and it has facilitated the completion of collections both large and small. When all other means fail of bringing to light a desired scarce stamp, the golden messenger is most likely to trace it to its most secret lair.

Scott's catalogue in this country, and more largely, the standard catalogues of the world, represent a plain or level,—the moment's balance of the stamp market, but it is an ever-titillating balance, swaying at every breath. Like the stock market, events in the farthest corners of the planet influence it and it tips to regular laws, that however, seem like whims of chance to all except the student philatelist.

A treaty of peace between Japan and Russia affects certain land concessions; a bomb thrown by an anarchist in Portugal presages a new succession; the discovery of gold in a little African Colony draws fortune seekers in such numbers that the postal facilities are inadequate and a provisional issue appears;—An East Indian thug waylays a stray Tommy Atkins, and in the redress a native state is wiped out of our albums. Such are the many and various causes that tip the scales of philatelic interest and commercialism, now on one side, now on the other.

It was but a decade ago that England's hand most violently agitated the balances; today it is the United States. Down in the Isthmus of Panama, little regard had been held for Columbian Republic stamps; but the Canal having passed beyond the stages of doubtful completion, all the philatelic world concentrates attention on the little Canal Zone strip and the tipping of the scales shows heavier prices.

A revolution in Nicaragua, which in past years would only sicken collectors at the prospect of a flood of provisional trash, now by its contiguity to the Canal region and Uncle Sam's consequent solicitousness, popularizes temporarily a tabooed, Seebeck-shadowed land. Surely the wedge that splits asunder two continents will compact the severed halves, especially near the jagged edges.

The Americanizing of the Philippines gave weight to the stamps of those islands, the sameness of whose design had in the past rather palled on the philatelic taste.

The same can be said of Porto Rico; and the temporary dominion of the United States over Cuba caused a preponderance of attention to its issues.

The absorption of Hawaii, bringing an always interesting country into the class of extinct stamp-issuing kingdoms, led to the withdrawal of current quotations on many of its stamps. Guam, Americanized, rose like a volcano out of the unsuspecting philatelic sras, and disappeared, and the short-lived issues of stamps tipped heavily on the scales.

Even the trip of our foremost citizen to Central Africa sheds a light upon dark spots of the Dark Continent, and collectors who have fought shy of certain Anglicized protectorates because of shrewd guesses at semi-official speculations (though no breath of suspicion had tainted the haughty air) begin to look tentatively at Ugandas and Bechuanalands. In the days of the cowry it may have been largely a shell game, but when Teddy hunts rhinos there it is safe to figure in dollars and cents.

We stop to think a moment of what all this means. When we began collecting, Great Britain and Colonies dominated the world of philately as of commerce. United States had no colonies nor dreamed of any. Now our flag flies in the Seven Seas (and at the North Pole),—not merely colonies but for the most part, parcels of our Republic, using our stamps. We are living to see, even in the short years of philatelic existence, a successor to the Rulers of the World. On the shoulders of the United States falls the mantle once worn by Greece in its glory; by the Roman Empire at its zenith; by England, Mistress of the Seas;—the mantle of World Supremacy, and the impression of our speech, customs and manners on all the world; and no one can realize it more fully than the receptive-minded philatelist.

Now I don't want to narrow this idea down to philatelic applications and standards; to suggest an edition of Scott's catalogue in two volumes, Volume I, United States and Colonies, Volume II, all the rest of the world; rather, I would keep the mind of the philatelist open to the broader thought,—the meaning of the engravings, dies, shades, emblems and portraitures he studies so closely. These are his letters,—his alphabet. He studies them diligently, learns them by heart and carefully arranges them. Neatness in placing them is equivalent to plain legible writing. And at last he reads, first sentences on the wall, then chapters in the world's history; then the whole story and its meaning comes to him,—the tipping of the balance of power,—American preponderance.

COMMUNICATION.

(We do not hold ourselves responsible for the views expressed by our readers. Our columns are always open for communications of general interest.—Ed.)

ROME, ITALY, Feb. 5th, 1910.

Editor MEKEEL'S WEEKLY:

As a well-wisher of the A. P. S. and editor of its official organ, I think it is up to you to comment—and comment favorably—upon the Exchange organized and operated by Mr. I. C. Greene, of Leominster, Mass. The fact that this Exchange has not the official sanction of the A. P. S. is probably not due to Mr. Greene. A much more important series of facts are as follows:

(1) The Mutual Stamp Exchange can only be participated in by members of the A. P. S.

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(3) As this is an **Exchange**, credits and debits are paid in **stamps** (not cash).

A fact of interest to would-be exchangers is my own experience. Value of eight books (sent in by me between July 12th and Nov. 30th, 1909 and now retired) $60.61. Value of stamps taken from these books $52.10. How is that for an Exchange only 9 months old?

Besides being a *successful Exchange* it is a strong incentive towards membership in the A. P. S., and as such—if for no other reason—*should be encouraged!*

A. W. DUNNING.

—Marcel E. Taller sends us the following clipping from the N. Y. *American* of Feb. 20:—

St. Petersburg, Feb. 19.—Only a few months ago a new issue of postage stamps was put in circulation in Russia. Another new issue is now announced, and the stamps will commemorate the three-hundredth anniversary of the accession of the Romanoffs to the Russian throne in 1613.

Hitherto the ordinary Russian postage stamps have been rather small and of delicate workmanship; the forthcoming commemorative issue, however, will be of larger type, and they will bear the portraits of some of the leading eighteen members of the house of Romanoff, male and female.

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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES.

Edited by HENRY A. KIDDER.

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UNITED STATES.—Forest A. Black reports finding the current 10c stamp, with a white dot exactly between Washington's nose and the oval line. Several of these were found in the stock of the Fitchburg, Mass.

Fillmore Millard reports having Scott's No. 282b, with a distinct break in the upper outer corner of the right hand triangle, the color of the stamp being more of a lilac than the usual printing.

L. C. Sharpe shows us a copy of the current 2c envelope, with a small white projection at the top of the left "2." Five of these were found in a bunch of letters coming from a little town in South Dakota.

Herman W. Boers sends us a copy of the *Silver Standard* which is sent out monthly by Rogers Bros., under a stamp precancelled "Meriden, Conn." The paper is a fac-simile of a paper issued in 1847. We note an item which says that some of the Boston papers are complaining that a military company paraded on Sunday at a funeral, according to custom, and asking for a law against the practice.

C. H. Williams reports having found the following varieties of the 2c Columbian envelopes: One with the third parallel north of equator in left hemisphere on line with top of head. This line runs outside towards the letter "D" until it touches line about 2 mm. beyond the hemisphere. One where the left hemisphere does not touch the line under "NI" of "United."

Mr. Williams also reports having Scott's Nos. 1549, 1568, used, with broken "G" in postage. The top part of the G is missing.

Herman W. Boers reports the new McKinley post card, the first reported to us. The new cards are entirely different from the present issue, being of a pale blue-gray color with a new stamp portrait of President McKinley, taken when he was a young man.

William C. Rhodes reports having the 5c on experimental paper.

Charles A. Townsend shows us the 1c 1908, precancelled Buffalo, N. Y., double.

BERMUDA.—The Frank P. Brown Co. has shown us the 2½d in solid color on multiple ordinary paper.

Adhesive.

2½d ultramarine.

CANAL ZONE.—Harry Leonard reports having found among a lot of used Canal Zone stamps, a pair of 1c Scott's No. 32, USED, one with Z of Zone missing. These are on part of the envelope and are postmarked from Pedro Miguel, showing that Postmaster Bliss evidently sold some of these before "getting wise."

CUBA.—Edwin W. Fuss reports having seen the 2c recently current imperforate.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.—The Frank P. Brown Co. has shown us the 2c official similar to Scott's 01, on watermarked paper. This is the first of the official set to be thus reported. The new stamp appears to be lithographed. There are important changes in the design though the inscriptions and colors are the same.

SEYCHELLES.

Numbers as per Scott's 1910 Catalogue.

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PAPUA.—Though chronicled some time ago, and included in Scott's list the 2sh 6d of the permanent set has just appeared and has been shown us by the New England Stamp Co.

PHILIPPINES.—J. C. Piper reports having found the 2c of 1898, with surcharge inverted.

SALVADOR.—Oscar G. Johnson reports the new provisionals, surcharged "1821—15 Septiembre—1909" on both watermarked and unwatermarked as chronicled some time since.

TURKEY.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 2½ pi and 5pi with signature of the new Sultan, and printed in new shades.

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BOSTON PHILATELIC SOCIETY

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The recommendations were taken up seriatim and approved, and then the report accepted as a whole.

A recess was then taken in which we listened to a very interesting address on the United States Postal Service by Edward C. Mansfield, Esq., Postmaster of Boston. He was most heartily received, and cordially reciprocated by extending the hand of fellowship to our members from that branch of our Government in which we are so intensely interested. A rising vote of thanks was given him at the close of his talk.

Business was resumed and the names of the following candidates were posted:

Mr. Edwin B. Hill.
Mr. Stephen G. Rich.
Mr. B. W. Allen.
Mr. John Alden.
Mr. Frederick W. Stiles.
Mr. Edward Gowing.

An invitation was read from the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club of Cleveland, O., for their 20th Anniversary celebration on March 19th. A vote of thanks for the invitation was passed. Mr. Nevin read a letter from Mr. Henry J. Crocker concerning his recent work on Hawaiian Numerals.

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Mr. Charles H. Fowle ("Undooley") next entertained us with a clever skit in his usual vein, forgetting very few in the bouquets that he handed around.

Mr. Howes followed with a short talk on Canadian stamps, as an introduction to the exhibit very kindly permitted the society of the magnificent specialized collection of this country belonging to Mr. Charles Lathrop Pack of Lakewood, N. J. This was awarded a gold medal at the International Exhibition, London, 1906, and has been considerably added to since that time. There seems to be nothing lacking from pairs of 12d, 1851, down to wondrous arrays of shades of the commonest values of recent years. Used are as well represented as unused, and if one wanted to see anything he desired in this country, all he had to do was to make the want known and it could be satisfied. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Pack.

Mr. William C. Stone had come from Springfield with a most interesting exhibition of the "side lines" for which the collectors there are famous. Lock seals, tax paids, tin-foils, etc., made an exhibit which few of us often see.

After passing a vote of greeting and congratulation for the President to carry to the Rhode Island Philatelic Society on the occasion of their 25th anniversary, Feb. 16th, the meeting adjourned at 9.15 o'clock to discuss the following catalogue provided by Caterer Seiler: Escalloped oysters, chicken salad, potato salad, cream fritters, croquettes, ice cream, sherbet, frozen pudding and coffee.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

CHARLES R. MORRIS.

By George L. Toppan.

Charles Robert Morris, the subject of this sketch, was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, some thirty-five years ago and, like so many other collectors, fell a victim to the charms of the goddess Philatelia at about the tender age of ten years. It was not, however, until about twelve years ago that he became a serious collector and, as is generally the case with a relapse, his second attack of the fever has proved much more serious and chronic than was the first. In fact, who those know him best say that he is now a hopeless monomaniac on the subject of the fascinating issues of our own country, to which he devotes all of his attention.

Coming to Washington in 1897, Mr. Morris entered the Government service as a clerk in the Auditing division of the Treasury Department, where he is still employed.

The training in systematic detail and minutiæ which such work involves has but served to sharpen his naturally clear and quick powers of observation and to render him one of the most systematic of men in all that he undertakes.

Add to this his powers of concentration and application and the result is an almost ideal temperament for a philatelist, though Mr. Morris, himself, though a most pronounced optimist, is by no means an idealist.

That which he undertakes he will perform, or, in the event of unforeseen circumstances rendering such performance impossible, he will step aside in favor of some more fortunately situated mortal who can carry the task to its completion.

Up to two years ago, or thereabouts, Mr. Morris was content to hide his light under the proverbial "bushel basket"; but, at last, in some unknown manner, the necessary contact was made; the light began to glow, feebly at first, but becoming stronger day by day, until now we, of Washington, know that he has about passed through the incandescent stage and is approaching the next step; that of the arc light.

To most of my readers Mr. Morris is undoubtedly best known through his contributions to the columns of the Weekly (as most of us old-timers still call Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News) upon matters of general interest pertaining to United States stamps. His exhaustive researches into the records and workings of the Bureau of Engraving & Printing and of the Post Office Department have been productive of much new and valuable information which has aided in settling many a mooted question.

Those who were present at the last convention of the American Philatelic Society, at Atlantic City, will need no introduction to Mr. Morris; but, for the sake of those who have yet to meet him, I will say that he is a modest, unassuming gentleman whose affable and cordial personality is an open *sesame* to the friendship of those who know him.

At the last meeting of the District of Columbia branch of the American Philatelic Society, which was organized through the efforts of Mr. Morris and whose President he is, he was unanimously nominated for the next Secretary of the parent organization and, as a friend both of the society and of the candidate, I can but hope that the members will accord him their suffrage and elect him to an office which he will fill with dignity and to the satisfaction of all concerned.

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Meetings held every third Wednesday at Room 4, 63 Washington St., Prov., R. I., at 8 P. M. Address all communications to the Secretary.

Prov. R. I., Feb. 16, 1910.

The 205th regular monthly meeting and 25th Annual Banquet was held at the Elysium, No. 183 Weybosset St., at 6.30 p. m. After cordial greetings among the members and welcoming the invited guests, all sat down at 7 p. m. to an elaborate banquet served by Lyman.

After the thirty-six philatelists had partaken of the good things, cigars were lighted and Pres. Mowry addressed the gathering:—

"Tonight we have assembled to celebrate our 25th anniversary. Organized Feb. 2nd, 1885, the R. I. P. S. is the oldest organization of its kind in continuous existence in the United States, and I am proud to state that we have with us this evening three of the ten original charter members, Mr. Chas. F. Rothfuchs now of Boston, Mr. Wm. G. Nightingale and Mr. W. Irving Cox, Treas. of the society.

I should not pass without mentioning the loss which fell upon this society in the early autumn by the death of Alfred Dawson, one of the society's founders. Until failing health prevented, he was a most active member, and more than any other, is due the continued existence of our society."

W. Irving Cox, Treas. of the society, was then introduced, his remarks being of a historical nature. His method of collecting stamps and incidentally annual dues (laughter) were quite unique.

Pres. W. O. Wylie of the Boston Philatelic Society extended the congratulations of his organization to the local society on its Silver Anniversary, expressing pleasure at the success that has attended its career during the past 25 years.

Chas. F. Rothfuchs of Boston also spoke, referring to the late Mr. Dawson as a successful canvasser for new members, by distributing freely duplicate stamps.

Edwin F. Sawyer of Boston, Pres. of the United States Envelope Society made a few remarks prior to exhibiting his specialized collection of Gambia which is the finest in the United States. Specialization in collecting is a feature among many collectors which produces most effective results, and all took a lively interest in the collection which was explained by Mr. Sawyer in detail.

After the pictures of the members were taken in a body, Pres. Mowry called the meeting to order, 30 members and 6 guests being present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. Wm. G. Nightingale was unanimously elected a member. Resignation of G. W. Pepper was received and accepted.

The Secretary's report showed a total membership of 50 in good standing; 8 regular monthly meetings have been held during the year with an average attendance of 11; 2 exhibitions have been held, also 1 contest and 1 auction sale. Adopted.

The Treasurer's report showed a good balance, and was adopted.

Committee on Society's Seal, reported that same was ready for delivery and Mr. Mason was authorized to provide stationery for the society's use, bearing the imprint.

The Nominating Committee reported the following list of officers for the ensuing year: Pres., W. A. Mowry; Vice Pres., B. A. Webber; Sec., Geo. C. Arnold; Treas., W. Irving Cox; Auction Committee, F. M. Mason, chairman, W. H. Congdon, Geo. L. Babbitt; Exch. Mgr., Jerome Fleisher; Librarian, F. M. Mason.

Voted that the Secretary cast one ballot in favor for the proposed officers, and they were declared unanimously elected.

Voted that Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News be selected as the Official Organ for the ensuing year.

Voted Geo. H. Wood be elected an honorary member of the society.

A vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. Edwin F. Sawyer of Boston for his interesting talk and exhibit of Gambia stamps.

Pres. Mowry subsequently appointed the following committees for the ensuing year:

Executive Committee: W. H. Congdon, J. B. McIntyre, R. F. Chambers; Auditing Committee: B. A. Webber, A. R. Perry; Exhibition Committee: A. P. Hyde, F. M. Mason, Geo. C. Arnold.

Meeting adjourned at 10.37 p. m.

Geo. C. Arnold, Sec.

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REPORT OF SECRETARY FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 19TH, 1910.

APPLICATIONS PENDING.

Woodworth, W. L.
Thomson, P. M.
Chase, W. R.
Haskell, Amos D.
Hanson, Linwood E.
Ward, H. A.
Conrad, H. V.
Heiser, George.
Whitney, George.
Penichet, Dr. Francisco.
Mason, Albert C.
Flood, Donald.
Storer, F. F.
Macri, Alfred.
Clark, Bates E.
Leonhardt, Franklin C. S.
Dewey, Chas. T.
Smith, Thorn.
James, F. F.

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

As soon as your name has been published as an applicant you will probably have unsolicited selections of stamps sent you on approval. As a great many collectors object to this the Society desires to break the practice up. Please aid us and help protect yourself and others against further imposition, by holding such selections without purchasing therefrom until sufficient funds have been received from the sender to enable you to return the stamps to him by registered mail. Also please report to the Secretary of the Society the name of the dealer sending such unsolicited selections.

Paine, C. M., Box 247, Lima, Ohio; age 23; Bank Clerk. References: L. H. Kibby; The Old National Bank. Proposed by S. B. Kauffman, No. 3338.

Muecke, Charles, 16 Bonn Place, Weehawken, N. J.; age 63; Retired Merchant. References: Trust Co., W. Hoboken, N. J.; Jas. R. Ferens, W. Hoboken, N. J. Proposed by I. C. Greene, No. 2676.

Alden, John, Hyde Park, Mass.; age 25; Dairy Products. References: F. P. Brown Co., Boston; Hyde Park National Bank. Proposed by Roger De L. French, No. 3526.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3729. Antoine, Rev. P., Jeanette, Pa.
3730. Fanning, 2nd, Geo. W., New York, N. Y.
3731. Jensen, C. W., Kenosha, Wis.
3732. Feldhaus, Wm., Washington, D. C.
3733. Corbaley, G. C., Spokane, Wash.

RESIGNATION ACCEPTED.

2394. Gerhart, Arthur, Lewisburg, Pa.

RESIGNATIONS RECEIVED.

2532. Wilber, Mert A., 908 E. Marshall St., Richmond, Va.
2928. Kling, John, Wellesley, Mass.
2708. Bierberg, Valentine, 805 E. Cherry St., Columbus, Ohio.

DEATH REPORTED.

3314. Cheyne, Anthony W., Suffern, N. Y., February 6th, 1910.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

2427. Newton, J. B., from Main St. to 127 Oak St., Hartford, Conn.
3417. Gow, Leonard F., from San Francisco to care W. B. Brown, Burlingame, San Mateo County, Cal.
3223. Harmon, Rufus G., from Eddy St. to 8th and Brannon Sts., San Francisco, Cal.
2824. Resor, R. L., from Cincinnati, O., to 230 W. Highland Ave., Redlands, Cal.
3048. Francis, Geo., from San Francisco to 2743 Fulton St., Berkeley, Cal.
2753. Spier, Louis, from Lonaconing, Md., to Nyssa, Oregon.
3403. Chubbuck, E. E., from State College to 12 Huston St., Towanda, Pa.
2065. Liebeck, Fred'k, from Wolf St. to 1535 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY.

Total membership Feb. 12, 1910,		1877
New stockholders,		5
Total,		1882
Resignation accepted,	1	
By death,	1	
	—	2
Total membership Feb. 19, 1910,		1880

Will all members please notice that when writing to officers of the society to kindly give their society number, as this will save these officers much unnecessary time and trouble.

H. S. ADAIR, Sec.

MONTHLY INTERIM REPORT OF THE SALES DEPARTMENT.

Feb. 1st, 1910.

We take pleasure in submitting the following interim report for the month of January, 1910:

2612 books in circulation Jan. 1st, priced at	$52,429.63
203 books received in January, priced at	4,086.35
2815 books, priced at	$56,515.98
321 books retired in January (sales $1,496.42), priced at	5,995.81
2494 books in circulation February 1st, priced at	$50,520.17

The sales for the month were $777.89, which is considerably better than any one of the four past months. We are glad to state that in response to our recent request, newly filled books have been coming in very steadily, so that during the month of January 203 were received, priced net at $4,086.85. The grade of stamps seem to be better, and the condition has been improved. We may state that excellent sales are being made from books of this character, and if members having duplicates will write for blank sales books immediately, results are sure to be very satisfactory. The sales during February are even better than those in January, and it is probably if the quality of the books continue to improve, we shall reach record results in February, March, April and May.

It will be noted that sales amounting to $1,496.42 were made from the 321 books retired in January. These books were priced net $5,995.81. Thus it will be seen that the sales amounted to almost exactly 25% of the total.

The branch managers have been continuing their good work, and we take pleasure in appending a list of results secured up to February 1st, as follows:

(1)	J. W. Haseltine, Philadelphia, Pa.,	$782.24
(2)	Don R. Bennett, Detroit, Mich.,	341.10
(3)	Chas. R. Morris, Washington, D. C.,	312.47
(4)	L. A. Van Toor, Milwaukee, Wis.	246.71
(5)	John F. Rust, Cleveland, O.,	175.62
(6)	W. C. Emery, Springfield, Mass.,	86.02
(7)	Ross O'Shaughnessy, San Francisco, Calif.,	66.45
(8)	George W. Linn, Columbus, O.,	64.84
(9)	A. W. Dunning, Newton, Mass.,	57.77
(10)	T. C. Mann, St. Louis, Mo.,	47.39
(11)	A. H. Weber, Berkeley, Calif.,	42.15
(12)	W. O. Staab, Milwaukee, Wis.,	36.29
(13)	Harrie S. Mueller, Wichita, Kan.,	27.63
(14)	Max Wenzel, Brookline, Pa.,	21.23
(15)	J. H. Lyons, Boston, Mass.,	14.75

Respectfully submitted,
PERCIVAL PARRISH, Sales Supt.

The 282nd regular meeting of the Chicago Branch No. 1 of the American Philatelic Society was held in the club rooms of the Chicago Philatelic Society on the evening of February 9th, 1910. President Whitaker, called the meeting to order with the following members present: Baldwin, Bloss, Bowker, Clark, Cornwall, Dahl, Farnham, Green, Lindquist, Mizera, Mudge, Rogers, Roterberg, Severn, Whitaker, Wolsieffer. Messrs. F. L. Baker of Minneapolis and Oscar Sevon of Chicago attended as visitors.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read. A communication was received from Mr. Chas. R. Morris announcing his candidacy for nomination for the secretaryship of the parent organization and requesting the endorsement of the branch. After much discussion it was voted that the branch take no political stand of any kind at the present time. The secretary was instructed to answer Mr. Morris to this effect. The treasurer's report was read showing a balance of $9.28 on hand February 8, 1910.

A vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. Lindquist for the announcements which he printed for the branch without charge. In the absence of Mr. Fowler, the entertainment manager, Mr. Severn announced the entertainment to be the exhibition of Mr. F. R. Cornwall's prize winning collection of the stamps of Cape of Good Hope. Mr. Cornwall explained the collection as it was being shown. A vote of thanks was tendered him for the exhibition. Meeting adjourned at 10.15 p. m. Next meeting on March 9th.

HUGH M. CLARK, Sec.

BUFFALO COLLECTORS' CLUB, BRANCH No. 37.

The 2nd regular meeting was held February 3rd at 550 Ellicott Square, with 8 members and 2 visitors present.

An auction was held, President Griffith auctioneer. Many interesting lots were offered and good prices were realized.

Meeting adjourned at 11.30 p. m.

Next meeting will be held on Thursday evening, February 17th.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Result of the election: Number of votes received, six; not counted, one; which appears to be a "joker." For President, Schachne, 5; for Vice President, Forbes, 4; Mayo, 1; for Secretary, Edwards, 5; for Treasurer, Morse, 5; for Executive Committee, Lazarus, 5; Deats, 4; Fritz, 4; Carpenter, 1; Linnemann, 1; for official organ, MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS, 5.

I hereby declare the following to be the officers for the ensuing year commencing March 1st: President, Siegfried Schachne; Vice President, Allan Forbes; Secretary, S. M. Edwards; Treasurer, J. N. Morse; Executive Committee, (President and Vice President, *ex-officio*), Paul Lazarus, H. E. Deats and Alfred E. Fritz. Official organ, MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS.

Change of address—J. N. Morse to 85 Devonshire St.; Dr. Geo. Dimmock to 531 Berkshire Ave., both same cities.

Resignations asked for—A. Yeremdji, Edward H. Buehler and Walter Dormitzer.

Died—Rev. Charles Farina.

Several members are still indebted to the society for their 1909 dues. Look up the date on your last certificate of membership. The secretary would like to start the new year with all paid.

S. M. EDWARDS, Sec.

ARGUSVILLE, N. D., Feb. 16, 1910.

Foreign Postal Cards

I have purchased the splendid collection of postal cards formed by Mr. W. G. Jerrems, Jr., and want to hear from all collectors who are interested. I may be able to fill some of your wants.

My premium coin and stamp books are standard, and cost only 10 cents each.

BEN G. GREEN, Masonic Temple, Chicago.

The Boston Philatelic Society.

W. O. WYLIE, Pres.; F. S. COOK, Vice Pres.; C. A. HOWES, Sec., 55 Kilby St., Boston; J. M. BARTELS, Int. Sec., 813 Old South Bldg., Boston; J. B. B. SMITH, Treas., Wollaston, Mass.; J. H. LYONS, Supt. Auc.; P. C. KIMBALL, Supt. Sales; I. W. RISDON, Supt. Bourse; J. M. BARTELS, Chmn. Expert Com.

Meetings first (informal) and third (regular) Tuesdays, Room 322, Tremont Bdg., 7.30 P. M.

BOSTON, MASS., Feb. 26, 1910.

The 221st (informal) meeting of the society will be held in the NEW CLUB ROOM, *No. 322 Tremont Building*, Boston, at 7 o'clock on Tuesday evening, March 1st.

Come and see the new quarters!

C. A. HOWES, Sec.

BOSTON, MASS., Feb. 15, 1910.

The 220th (regular) meeting and Annual Jollification was held at the club room this evening at 7 o'clock. Previous to the meeting some twenty members who remained in town met at the Crawford Café, as announced in the secretary's call, for an informal supper together. This proved a happy innovation which will become a regular feature, it is hoped.

President Wylie took the chair and opened the meeting with 60 members and friends present. The reading of minutes was dispensed with, and the following library report presented:

Library Report for Feb. 1910.

There has been received by the committee since the last report:—

By donation—Scott Stamp & Coin Co., 166th Sale from New England Stamp Co.; Drew's 210th and 211th Sales from A. P. Brown; 91 unpriced foreign auction catalogs from New England Stamp Co.; Annual Report of Bureau Engraving and Printing, 1908, from C. K. B. Nevin.

And the current numbers of the following magazines, generously contributed by the publishers; Gibbons' Weekly, Mekeel's Weekly, Stamp Journal, Berliner Briefmarken-Zeitung, Stamp Collector, Carter's Messenger, Postage Stamp, Redfield's Weekly, Attleboro Philatelist, Philatelic Journal of Great Britain.

Respectfully submitted,
C. K. B. NEVIN,
C. A. HOWES.

The report of the Governing Board was then presented, as follows:

Boston, Feb. 12, 1910.

To the Members of the
Boston Philatelic Society,

Gentlemen:—At the meeting of Jan. 18th an amendment to the statutes was proposed, reducing the dues of non-resident members from $2 to $1; also a communication from the Mekeel-Severn-Wylie Co. presenting the new requirements of the Post Office Dept., whereby a collective subscription to an official journal is prohibited and individual subscriptions are required. As the society furnishes its official journal free to members, this would necessitate a rearrangement of our statement of annual dues, and as the Committee on Membership stated they had some changes to suggest in order to attract new members, it was voted to refer the whole matter to the Governing Board in conjunction with the Committee on Membership and the representative of the Mekeel-Severn-Wylie Co.

We have had three meetings and have carefully considered the subject from all points of view, and beg to present the following recommendations for your consideration.

First. Because the yearly dues must hereafter be so arranged as to show the amount paid on account of any subscription to an official journal, which would necessitate considerable book-keeping, we deem it of advantage and recommend:—

That we do not renew the subscription contract with the official journal, but urge the membership to continue their subscriptions to MEKEEL'S WEEKLY as individuals; and that the publication of our official matter be arranged for with the publishers.

Second. Because of the state of the finances of the society, it seems entirely unwise to reduce at present the resident membership fee, but that the withdrawal of the official journal from the benefits to non-resident members merits consideration, and we therefore recommend:—

That the proposed amendment to Art. XIII, Sec. 1, be made to change the dues for non-resident members from "two dollars" to "one dollar and a half."

Third. Because of the large amount of time often taken up in discussions at our regular meetings, thus deferring the entertainment provided to an hour so late that many cannot remain, we recommend:—

That most of the ordinary business coming before the society be referred to the Governing Board, as is already provided by Art. XI.

Fourth. In order to expedite the balloting on candidates for membership we recommend:—

That a collective ballot be taken for all candidates to be voted upon, unless 5 black balls appear, when individual ballots shall be taken as usual.

Fifth. In order to give those who cannot remain long at a meeting an opportunity to examine such exhibits as may be scheduled, we recommend:—

That exhibits be placed on view at 7 o'clock on regular meeting nights and remain until the meeting is called to order.

Sixth. In order to further the interest in and understanding of the exhibits displayed, when such would be of advantage, we recommend:—

That the Exhibition Committee arrange to have suitable explanatory talks given in connection with special exhibits.

Seventh. In order to induce more to frequent the meetings and to provide companionship for those remaining in town for such meetings, we recommend:—

That the secretary announce before each meeting a place of rendezvous, where members remaining in town will find congenial spirits gathered for supper at 6 o'clock on the meeting night—everything informal and anyone welcome.

Eighth. As prominent philatelists often come to Boston, and as it is the custom in many places to entertain distinguished visitors, and as a precedent was set by the society on the visit of Mr. Melville, we recommend:—

That provision be made by the society for the entertainment of visiting philatelists of note.

Ninth. As matter is at hand whereby the Committee on Handbooks can probably produce a suitable work and provide most of the funds from advertising, we recommend:—

That the Handbook Committee be authorized to proceed with the proposed work if it can be produced with little or no expense to the society.

Tenth. In view of the fact that current expenses, subscriptions, binding, new works, etc., must be kept up by the Library Committee, we recommend:—

That $25 be placed at the disposal of the Library Committee as usual.

Eleventh. This is the most important recommendation, which we have left to the last. There has always been more or less of a feeling in the society against the location of the present club room. While excellent in itself for our purposes, it is not as handy for the use of members as might be, and is being used less and less outside of regular meetings. A more central location for our business members in a more desirable building has been the thought of many for some time. The Committee on Membership has considered this in connection with its duties, and has laid the results before the Governing Board. The opportunity which is now before us seems exceptional in many ways and has met with our unanimous approval. We have to recommend:—

That the society give up its present quarters and accept a smaller room in the Tremont Building for headquarters, with the privilege of using the large assembly room adjoining for our meetings.

This may seem a radical proposition, but the advantages are many. The room is on the third floor, about one-third the size of the present, and will accommodate the library, desk, table and large chairs. A door opens into the large assembly room which can be had for the asking at any time for our meetings. The room is well lighted and carries the privilege of a box in the vault. The locality is of the best, is generally handy and, if taken, the room and its connections will give the society without doubt the best club room of any philatelic society in the country. The building is always open and has elevator service until 11 p. m.

. . . . Your Board has felt that the advantages are so manifest that it was wholly unwise to let the opportunity slip by through delay, and have therefore spoken for the room with the proviso that it depend upon ratification by the society at the next meeting. We have also given a month's notice to the owners of the Kast Building, with the same proviso. . . . .

We submit the above propositions for your action, believing that all, and especially the last one, are for the best interests of the society. A better room in a better location, with increased facilities and advantages, is not lightly to be cast aside, when it will undoubtedly add to our prestige and also to our membership list, which is the bulwark of our strength.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WILLARD O. WYLIE,
FREDERICK S. COOK,
C. A. HOWES,
J. M. BARTELS,
JAMES B. B. SMITH,
L. L. GREEN,
JAMES C. WOOLLEY,
CHARLES K. B. NEVIN,
RICHARD F. BURNS
A. W. BATCHELDER.

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SEYBOLD SALE, Part I, March 15 & 16, 1910

In a previous number we specified a few of the fine things in the 1st Session of this remarkable Sale. Below will be found notices of same in the 2nd Session, March 16.

Hawaiian Islands on Covers

1853 thick paper 5c blue, 2 covers. 13c red, no less than 5 covers with this rare stamp in combination with U. S. Stamps. 5c ON 13c RED, 3 remarkable covers with this great rarity. NUMERALS, 8 covers including Nos. 11, 13, 16, 21 and 22. 1893 Provisionals, including the rare 12c violet.

British North America on Covers

BRITISH COLUMBIA, 5c rose, imperf.; 1861, 2½p; 1865, 5c; 1868, 5c.
CANADA. The finest possible lot including 2 of the 12 pence, that standard rarity. 1851, 6p, both papers, all shades and several pairs. 1855, 10p blue, including thick paper and pairs. 1857, 7½p green, no less than 7 covers, including one with a pair. The rare 6p perforated is represented by 3 covers, one a pair. 1859, 10c black brown – and others.
NEW BRUNSWICK, 3p, 6p, 1sh, in singles, pairs and strips, and a wonderful lot of the rare splits, including that great rarity, One Quarter of 1sh used as 3p. 1860 Cents Issue, fine lot of these stamps including several of the rare 17c black.
NEWFOUNDLAND, 4p, 6½p scarlet vermilion, 4p orange and 2 covers with the rare half of 8p used as 4p.
NOVA SCOTIA, 1p, 3p, 6p both shades, 1sh, all represented in a fine lot of covers, including pairs and strips and bisects of the 3p and 6p. 1860-64, Cents Issue, fine lot including bisect of 10c.

South America on Covers

BOLIVIA 1867, 10c (4), 50c (8). AUTOFAGASTA, CHIMBA, rare Provisional Envelopes.
BRAZIL 280r (39), 1866 perf. 430r yellow, 600r black; 1891, 100 blue, inverted.
BUENOS AYRES 1858, 1p, 2p, 4r brown pair; 1860, 4r pair.
PERU 1858, ½p rose, error. Uruguay 1857, 180c (5), 240c (6).

In addition to the covers, there is a fine lot of stamps of the above groups that are not on covers and constitute a fine collection in themselves, these include some remarkable pairs, strips and blocks, to which we cannot do justice in an advertisement, and must refer interested parties to the Catalogue in which they are fully described.

Part II, March 29, 1910. EUROPE, a wonderful lot, especially old Germans, Italians, Switzerland and Spain.
Part III, April 14 & 15, 1910. BRITISH COLONIALS, including fine lot of BRITISH GUIANA, CAPE OF GOOD HOPE, CEYLON, MAURITIUS and AUSTRALIANS.

The Catalogues for all 3 Parts are ready and will be mailed on request. We have prepared a separate part containing illustrations of 38 of the covers of this collection, and this will be mailed on receipt of 25c.

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We herewith present a page full of bargains to MEKEEL'S readers and hope that YOU may be induced to favor us with an order from this advertisement, and that this first transaction shall lead to further business, which we shall try to make both pleasant and profitable to BOTH sides.

We do a **LARGE APPROVAL SHEET TRADE,** and if you are in the habit of buying stamps this way, we can serve you as well as **any** dealer in America, and possibly at a **better discount.**

If you are a **Buyer of Scarce Single Stamps,** we shall be pleased to send you our **Monthly Bargain List.**

If you are a **Buyer of Packets and Sets,** we shall be pleased to send you our **64 page retail price list.**

If you are a **Bargain Hunter,** you will find that Monthly Bargain List full of **that kind of game,** and we are stocking up fresh each month.

If you have a **WANT LIST** of **certain hard-to-get stamps** which the **"other fellow"** cannot supply, trust us with this list. Our terms are 33⅓ per cent discount from Scott's or Gibbons'.

If you are a **Buyer of Stamps at Auction,** we beg to tell you that **we have entered the auction field** and will hold our next auction **March 19th, 1910,** and the catalogues will be ready for mailing about the 5th of March. **Please drop us a postal card.**

If you are a **DEALER,** you will find bargains quoted per three, per ten, per one hundred in our **Monthly Bargain List.** We also publish **a 24-page Wholesale Price List,** which will be sent free upon request.

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New Goods! Just Came In

The following list of desirable single stamps and sets are mostly goods which have come in during the last month and which we have not heretofore advertised. Please look this list over carefully, and if you see anything desirable, kindly order and we will send it on approval.

British Guiana 1889, 4c lilac, types I and II, each showing in a mint block of 4, 75c for the block.
Pair showing each type $0.40

British Guiana 1889, the 6c, same as above and at same prices.

Crete 1905, Stanley Gibbons Nos. 115 to 120 inclusive, the 5, 10, 20, 50L, 1 and 2dr, complete set.
Stanley Gibbons net price for this set 1.72; our price 1.00

The 1dr is violet and red, the 2dr brown and green, a very attractive set issued by the Revolutionary Government. This set is not catalo[illegible] by Scott, but is catalogued by S. [illegible] Senf, etc.

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British Bechuanaland 1888, [illegible] vermilion, scarce $2.25

British Bechuanaland No. 3, [illegible] charge **inverted,** scarce .... [illegible] 2.90

Cape of Good Hope, 25 vari[illegible] from No. 16 to 69, the 25 varie[illegible] mostly unused, mint .... [illegible] 3.20

Ecuador 1897 to 99 issues, 1 on [illegible], 2c carmine, 10c lilac, 1 sucre orange, 5 sucre [illegible]own, 10 sucre red, 1) on 50 brown lilac, and 4 on 20c blue. This set is Scott's Nos. 356, 357, 359, 361. Yvert & Tellier's Nos. 89 and 90, and Stanley Gibbons Nos. 524 and 528. **Very Special LOW Priced Set! A Bargain!**

All unused, mint condition. Catalogue $2.27, **30c per set.**

3 Sets, $0.75. 10 Sets, $2.25

The latter price is less than 1-10 of catalogue.

	Cat. Price.	Our Price
***Egypt, O. H. H. S.** 1892, 1 mil to 1 piastre, mint, 5 var	.41	.18
*Egypt, O. H. H. S. 1892, 5 piastre, gray, mint	.75	.30
The above set complete, 6 varieties, mint, only 45c net.		
Egypt, Soudan, No. 624, used 2 piastre, blue	.25	.10
Egypt, Soudan, No. 625, used 5 piastre, green and brown	.60	.25
***Egypt, Soudan,** No. 627, 5 mil on 5 piastre, mint	.20	.10
Egypt, Soudan, No. 807, 809, 810, 813, 814, 817, six var. for	1.00	.40
Egypt, Soudan, 614, 615, 616, 622, 623, the 2, 5, 10 piastres 1898, and the 5 mil and 1 piastre of 1902 to 1908. These 5 var. only	1.57	**.45**

Note! The last set is very cheap. The stamps are not in entirely perfect condition but are a very cheap set at this price. A few may have a slight defect but none are very badly damaged.

Gibraltar and Morocco, 18 varieties as follows: Gibraltar British Morocco, Nos. 48, 50, 58, 59, 233, 234, 236 and 237
Gibraltar Prench Morocco, Nos. 1610, 1611, 1613
Gibraltar German Morocco, Nos. 733, 734, 735
Gibraltar Spanish Morocco, Nos. 2 & 4
This fine set of 18 vars. cat. 67c for only 27c net.

	Cat. Price.	Our Price
Hayti 1898, the 5, 7, 50c, Nos. 57, 62, 66, three varieties, our very special price	.50	only .18

For **special offers** of **Hayti** stamps and sets see another part of this advertisement.

	Cat. Price.	Our Price
Iceland 1902, Scott's No. 68, 100 aur brown & violet, very fine copy	2.00	.75

Block of four showing minor variety of surcharge, same price.

	Cat. Price.	Our Price
Labuan 1897, Scott's No. 72 to 80, from 1c to 24c used, fine set, all pictures	.56	.22
Labuan 1899, surcharged **4c,** Scott's Nos. 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, six vars.	1.50	.60
North Borneo, Scott's Nos. 40 to 45, 87 to 89, the **25c, 50c, $1, $4, $5, $10.** The $5 and $10 values of this set are **quite scarce, very fine, lightly cancelled** [illegible] var.	5.30	2.45
[illegible] **Borneo** 1894, Nos. 59 to 67, [illegible]om 1c to 24c, nine var.	.91	**.24**
[illegible]**th Borneo** No. 68 to 73, 1893 issue, the 25c and 50c, $1, $2, $5, $10. Very fine lightly cancelled set. The **$5 and $10 values are scarce**	5.65	2.95
North Borneo Nos. 90 to 95, 1899. Surcharged 4c, six varieties	1.50	.60
Nyassa 1901, from 2½ to 300 reis complete	1.33	.35
Orange River Colony, 25 varieties, from No. 1 to 61, including many provisionals	10.31	3.95
*Roumania 1891, Scott's Nos. 112 to 116, a very scarce set and listed by Gibbons at	2.73	1.25

Our price as long as a **few sets** last only $1.25 net.

	Cat. Price.	Our Price
Roumania 1906, the most beautiful of all the Charity sets, the 5, 10, 15, 25, 30, 40, 50, 75b, and the L1.50, L2.50 and L3.00, complete set of eleven varieties for which Scott asks $3.50, our price only $2.25 (Scott's Nos. 196 to 206)	3.50	2.25

It is advisable to send your order early for this set, our stock is not any too large, and we cannot duplicate the set at the price.

	Cat. Price.	Our Price
***British Somaliland, Uganda, Zanzibar and Seychelles, a very beautiful collection of 25** different stamps, catalogued from 4c to $1.50, mostly **mint** condition	5.21	2.45

	Cat. Price.	Our Price.	Per 3.	Per 10.
***German E. Africa** 1900, 2p to 40 pesa, 8 var. mint	$1.79	$0.75	$2.10	..
German S.W. Africa 1900, 2 marks, **beauties**	.75	.45	1.20	3.90
*Levant 10p, 1¼, 1½, 2, 2½, 4pia	1.46	.55	1.50	4.50
Germany, Mark Values, 1, 3 and 5 mark of 1902, 1 and 2m of 1906, 5 var., fine set large stamps	.48	.18	.50	1.60
Hayti *1904, the bi-color'd Commemorative Set, Nos. 82-88, 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 20 and 50 compl. (cat. 74c), only **19 cents per set**	.74	**.19**	.55	1.70
Hayti *1904, Nos. 96-101, no surcharge	.74	.12	.33	1.00
Hayti *1904, Nos. 102-107, **same set surcharged**	1.09	.30	.75	2.10
Hayti surcharge **inverted,** Nos. 104, 105, 106 and 107, 4 var	6.70	1.25	..	..
Hayti *1904, 1 to 50c **imperf.** (S. G. 2.50)	**2.50**	.85	..	..

Scott's price for this set is **$2.50 net.**

Hayti—30 different, all fine picked copies, cat. $3.36, only **75c** per set; 3 sets, **$2.15**; cheap in price only.

	Cat. Price.	Our Price.	Per 3.	Per 10.
Panama *1906, 1 on 20, 2 on 50, 5 on 1 peso	.59	.30	.60	1.50
Panama, same set **used**	.59	.20	.60	1.50
Panama *1906, 5 on 1p, Scott No. 184	.30	.15	.40	..
Roumania 1906, 25 **olive (error),** 40, 50, 1 and 2 leu, all picked copies, **fine** set, 5 scarce values	1.20	.62	1.80	..
Nos. 176-185, **Roumania** '06, 1b to 2l, complete, beauties	1.11	.72	2.10	..
*Nos. 196-206, **Roumania** 1906, 5b to 3l complete, beauties	..	2.25	6.00	..

The large eastern dealers get **$3.50** net for this set—we get $2.25. **(Difference $1.25.)**

	Cat. Price.	Our Price.	Per 3.	Per 10.
***Somaliland Prot.** (British) "Officials", 1903, ½, 1, 2a, 3 var., mint	3.00	1.00	2.75	..
Tunis **1906,** Packet Post, 5, 10, 20, 25, 40, 50, 75, **1 and 2 francs,** beautiful bi-colored set of **9 vars.**	.55	.22	.60	..

SURINAM—Very Special! Note Prices!

Date		Cat. Pr.	Ours.	Per 3.	Per 10
1890	1, 2, 2½, 3c, 4 var	.10	.05	.12	.40
1893	15, 20, 30c, 3 var	.62	.21	.60	1.85
1898	10 on 12½c, 10 on 20, 10 on 25, 10 on 30 and 25 on 50	1.45	.52	1.50	4.50
1900	**1 gulden,** very fine copy	1.00	.33	.95	3.00
1900	**2½ gulden,** a few **extra fine, clean well centered copies** of this scarce stamp (cat. $1.75)	1.75	.75	2.10	..

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Our Auction Department will be a very important feature of our business hereafter. **We shall hold auctions monthly.** We have secured enough collections and choice lots of rare stamps to hold four substantial sales, and new material is coming in constantly. We shall certainly be pleased to hear from collectors and dealers who are in the habit of buying stamps at auction, and shall be pleased to put their names on our mailing list.

Our next sale will be held MARCH 19, 1910, and will comprise somewhere between **2500 and 3000 lots.**

☞ **If you are not in receipt of our catalogue by the 12th of MARCH, please drop us a postal card!**

This auction comprises a very fine line of scarce single stamps, a great many combination lots for dealers, speculators and bargain hunters, and some wholesale and odd lots for dealers.

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	Cat. Price.	Ours
*Azores 1894, 5 to 100r, all mint	$2.03	$0.88
*Congo Belge 1910, 5, 10, 15, 25c, mint	..	.25
*China (Russia), 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 10, 50k, "	1.20	.65
*China (Japan), ½, 1, 1½, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 sen 8 var., mint	.44	.25
*New Brunswick 1860, 1, 2, 5, 10, 12½, 17c, **complete, mint**	1.50	.72
Natal 1902, 10 pounds F.C., fine	70.00	3.95
*Nicaragua **1909** Official, 10c to 2 pesos, **complete**, 6 var	?	.88
Austria Jubilee, 1h to 2kr compl.	.55	.18
Bosnia, Jubilee, 1h to 5kr, **imperf.**	..	2.65
" **same set, unused, mint**	..	5.60
Germany 1900, Reichspost, 2p to 3m, all mint, **fine set**	..	2.75
Victoria 1905, 5sh, nice stamp (No. 229)	*2.00	.63
Natal 1902, 1 pound F. C., nice copy	4.50	.95

Don't forget our next Auction March 19, 1910

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BOGERT & DURBIN CO.,
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Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

THE ISSUES OF GRECIAN CRETE.

BEING THE CONTINUANCE OF THE "POSTAL EMISSIONS OF CRETE."

By W. WARD.

Since my article on the postal stamps of Crete has appealed to a far greater circle of readers than I imagined were interested in these stamps, I have been requested by many to further give a write-up of the Greek surcharges and correctly allot in their order—a feature that seems to have been ignored by our foremost catalogs. The cause and origin of those stamps by the great European powers in the year 1908, giving over the protection of the island of Candia to Greece, is of too recent occurrence to need of my repetition.

The issues as by the catalog are practically indistinguishable. Take Scott for instance (no Gibbons giving latest issues being yet out). The various surcharges are given as being the same type as in compounds. This is of course of utility to the general collector but to the collector who desires to fully represent his Crete, is of little use. The Greek letters vary extremely and can easily be distinguished showing the five important types that should help the philatelist in placing. I give a check list of each issue bearing the divers types

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ΕΛΛΑΣ
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ΕΛΛΑΣ
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ΕΛΛΑΣ
5

The first issue, with the surcharge of course Type I, was as follows of the current stamps in use:

1908. Cretan stamps, overprinted "Ellas" (Greece)

1 lepta brown of the 1900 issue.
2 lepta violet of the 1905 issue.
5 lepta green of the 1905 issue.
10 lepta carmine of the 1900 issue.
20 lepta blue green of the 1905 issue.
25 lepta blue green of the 1905 issue.
25 lepta blue and black of the 1907 issue.
50 lepta brown red of the 1905 issue.
1 drachma red & brown of the 1905 issue.
2 drachmas brown of the 1900 issue.
3 drachmas orange and black of the 1905 issue.
5 drachmas olive and black of the 1905 issue.

These all received one type of characters—Type I—machine printed. I have had offered me handstamped specimens but I think these are certainly forgeries as have never yet discovered that these were ever issued by the official post-office—though I might say the offer in mention came from a man working in the Crete P. O. There are varieties of double, inverted and part-missing overprint on all values except (so far as I have seen) the 25l, 1, 3 and 5dr stamps. They are as possible on these—for I have seen more except the final M inverted in used condition. They are:

I. Surcharged inverted.
1 lepton.
2 lepta.
5 lepta.
10 lepta.
50 lepta

II. Surcharge with the final letter M
10 lepta.
2 drachma.

III. Surcharge with final letter M inverted as W
1 lepton.
2 lepta.
5 lepta.

IV. Double surcharge.
1 lepton.
2 lepton.

I have seen all values up to 1dr with double surcharge—but—????

The remaining stock in hand of the 10 lepta value having Prince George's head was practically exhausted before any more at surcharging was begun, chiefly because, owing to political changes in the official government it was "deemed necessary to drop the Prince" and his portrait. Hence a new design had been prepared having as the emblem the profile of Mercury. I believe these were overprinted Ellas the same time as the 10c with Prince George's head—but from a philatelic aspect is deemed advisable to keep separate. I don't advise anyone to buy the unsurcharged stamp—as these were never officially issued—but

Experientia Docet.

is an old proverb and a good one. Here is how it works sometimes:

U. S. 5c 1902 Imperf.

These we sold at $1.00 per block of four, today they are worth Fifteen Dollars.

U. S. 10c 1909 on blued paper

These we sold last month at One dollar per Stamp, today they are selling at Three Dollars.

U. S. 2c 1903, Shield, Rare Vermilion Colour, Imperf.

These can still be bought from us at 80c a block of four, $1.20 with guide lines, $5.00 for centre block with crossed lines. As far as we can find out there was only one printing of 50 sheets in this colour.

Block of four, scarlet vermilion, 80c

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We were fortunate in securing the 20c orange second issue, perforated with the surcharge omitted. We have the only sheet known, and purchased it from the finder of same. They are extremely rare and in the finest mint condition. We also have some of the same issue and denomination of the rare unperforated variety and will offer them as follows as long as they last, perforated without surcharge $1.25 each; unperforated with surcharge, $4.00 per block of four or $2.00 per pair.

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" " " cloth "	.75

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" 1891, set 4, 1, 2, 5, 10c	.30	2.50
" 1892, set 4, 1, 2, 5, 10c	.30	2.50
Costa Rica 1907, 1c	.06	.50
" 1907, 5c	.05	.45

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1867, 1c violet, unused, fine, 60c; good	.40
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Peru 1907, 1c on 12c and 2c on 12c	.03
St. Christopher 1885, 1p unused, cat. 12c	.05
South Australia 1895-1900, 2½p and 5p	.04
Venezuela 1898, 5 & 10c Official, unused, cat. 25c	.06
Victoria 1899-1900, ½p emerald green, cat. 5c	.01
" 1901 June, ½p blue green, a little gem	.01

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REAL BARGAINS

1905 Chili 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 30 & 50c	.12
1908 Ecuador, trian. mint, 1, 2, 5, 10 & 20c	.25
1909 " Jubilee, 1, 2, 3, 5 & 10c	.12
" Guatemala 2c on 12½, 6c on 20c rose, 2c on 75c, 6c on 50c brown & 12½c on 2 peso red orange	.10
1906 Hayti 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10c	.10
1909 Nicaragua 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 15, 20, 50c and 1 peso	.35
1905 Salvador 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 12 & 13c	.12
1907 " 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 12 & 13c	.12
" " Unpaid, 1, 2, 3, 5 & 10c, vertical surcharge	.30
" " horizontal surcharge	.30
1909 " Provisionals, 2 on 13c and 3 on 26c brown, the pair	.50
1907 Venezuela Off. 5, 10, 25, 50c & 1 bol	.15
100 varieties of South & Central America and West Indies	.75

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1909 Issue		With line between	
1c	1½c each	2c	each
2c	2½c "	3c	"
3c	4c "	5c	"
4c	5c "	6½c	"
5c	6c "	8c	"
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only obtained by favor. I am not so sure that the various varieties are not also done by favor—but as they are held by many people to be as bonafide as the varieties of surcharge on the full series—which by the way is not very committing—I give the whole bunch.

1908. New design, having Mercury's Head overprinted with Type I.
10 lepta bright carmine.
I. Surcharge inverted.
II. Surcharge without final M.
III. Surcharge with final M inverted as W

Towards the fall of 1908, I believe the Creton Commission—or at least the Postal officials of the Commission—instituted a stocktaking and found a quantity of the 5l on 20l provisionals, the 1l and 2l Postage Dues, and the 1l fiscals. Anyway these were duly surcharged. They are:

1908. Postage Due Stamp of 1901 surcharged with Type II and also Type A in addition (but without the figure "2") I have added in the illustration.
1 lepton red.

1908. Postage Due Stamp of 1901 surcharged with Type II and Types A and B in addition.
"2" (large) on 20 lepta red, overprinted, Types II and A.
"2" (small) 20 lepta red, overprinted, Types II and B.

An error of spelling of the word meaning provisional—or better "Habilitado" as on the Spanish Colonial reissues having a "D" instead of a first "P."

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1908. Provisional 5l on 20l of 1904 overprinted with Type II.
5l on 20l orange.

There also exists the 5 lepta surcharge on the 20l *rose* stamp! This was never issued in the ordinary way—but it was surcharged, and it is reported that about 1,000 were printed. These stamps were never sold at any P. O. in Crete in the usual transaction of business to every comer. Need I say more. After having fairly well tapped collectors' pockets with these first surcharges they brought out a new style of surcharge—or at least three types. I might mention that the foregoing overprints are in black—but three of the new are in red. They are:

1909. Several issues overprinted
1 lepton of 1900 surcharged with Type III in red.
1 lepton of 1902 (fiscal), surcharged with Type IV in black.
2 lepta of 1905, surcharged with Type III in red.
5 lepta of 1905, surcharged with Type III in red.
10 lepta of 1908, surcharged with Type IV in black.
20 lepta of 1905, surcharged with Type IV in black.
25 lepta of 1907, surcharged with Type V in black.
50 lepta of 1905, surcharged with Type IV in black.
1 drachma of 1905, surcharged with Type II in black.
2 drachmas of 1900, surcharged with Type IV in black.
3 drachmas of 1905, surcharged with Type II in black.
5 drachma of 1905, surcharged with Type V in black.

This is the entire list of ordinary postals *up to the time of writing*, but I hope I shall not be held responsible if my list is incomplete when it appears in print.

However, I have not finished—though I have listed the ordinary extraordinary issues. There are the Official and Postage Due sets and *their* varieties.

OFFICIAL STAMPS.

1908. Values of same year overprinted with Type I.
10 lepta red brown.
30 lepta blue.

Both have varieties with inverted M as W

POSTAGE DUES.

1908. All values of 1901, except the 1 drachma, which is 1903 (overprinted to prevent confusion with the 1 lepton of same value and color)—though the 1901 1 drachma does exist—but my remarks on the 5l on 20l rose of 1908 apply to this stamp as well. All surcharges as of Type I.
1 lepton red.
5 lepta red.
10 lepta red.
20 lepta red.
40 lepta red.
50 lepta red.
1dr on 1 drachma red.
2 drachmas red.

The variety with final letter M inverted as W exists on the 40l, 1 and 2 drachmas, and also on the unsurcharged value of 1 drachma. I must, by the way, warn collectors not to buy misplaced surcharges as being the varieties without the first letter "E" or the final letter M The bonafide variety will show the surcharge in the center of the stamp—but the misplaced overprint towards one side.

Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

A. P. S. HISTORICAL NOTES.

By H. A. DAVIS, Pres. Colo. Branch No. 22

Year 1905, 20th Annual Convention.

In January when the year book was published, from a larger membership, there were 30 per cent less suspensions than the previous year. President Deats' call for the 20th annual convention was published June 10th.

The Chicago branch placed in nomination the following ticket for board of directors: For Pres., Wm. C. Stone, Mass.; V. Pres., H. N. Mudge, Alex. Holland and H. A. Fowler, Ill.; Sec., D. T. Eaton, Ia.; Int. Sec., E. Doeblin, Pa.; Treas., H. G. Smith, Minn.; Directors, Wm. E. Loy, Calif., and Jos. S. Rich, New York.

President Deats called the 20th annual convention to order in the Mayor's reception room, City Hall, Minneapolis, Tuesday, Aug. 8th. There were 41 members and 28 visitors present and 355 represented by proxy.

The secretary's report showed a membership of 674, a gain of 66 for the fiscal year. 126 new stockholders were added, 8 were reinstated, 30 were dropped for non-payment of dues, 27 resigned. There were 10 deaths and one member expelled.

Treasurer's report: Receipts, $836.48; expenditures, $883.35; balance in General Fund, $119.48; Stock Fund, $2051.00; Insurance Fund, $724.97; Exchange Fund, $13.70.

A controversy came up in this convention over the postal card or limited proxy. The case in point being over a postal card proxy blank sent to members to be signed authorizing a member to vote for a certain locality for convention seat. It was finally voted, after a long discussion to refer these limited proxies to the member holding the official proxy of the absent member to be voted at his discretion.

The Sales Supt.'s report showed that stamps were sent in to the department to the value of $26,502.42, and sales made to the amount of $4298.87.

Boston, Put-in-Bay, O., San Francisco, Rockford, Ill., and New York City were placed in nomination for next convention seat. Boston was selected by a vote of 246 against 112 for Put-in-Bay, 4 for San Francisco and 1 each for Rockford and New York.

MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS was elected official journal.

The following changes and additions to the by-laws were made: It was voted that upon expulsion, resignation, or dropping a member from the roll, his stock should revert to the association and the certificate become and remain null and void. Applications for membership or reinstatement to be published in four consecutive issues of the official journal. Applications to be accompanied by one or more commercial references. The power of expulsion was transferred from the Bd. of V. Pres. to the Board of Directors. The Treasurer's bond was raised from $2,000 to $3,000. The Treasurer to receive $25 per year for all other incidental expenses (other than expense for postage, stationery and printing). The offices of Resident Vice President and Auction Purchasing Agents were abolished.

The "Membership Committee" was changed to "Recruiting Committee." The clause authorizing the acceptance of advertising in the year book was repealed. A banquet was held at the Commercial Club rooms on Wednesday evening. The Chicago Branch ticket, the only one in the field, was elected. In December Secretary Eaton dropped 55 members for non-payment of dues.

(*To be continued.*)

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" 12, 15, 24c, " " the three, "	1.05	"	.29
State 6c, " " (4 for $1), "	1.00	"	.29
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Treasury 6c, " " (blk. 10, 70c), "	.25	"	.08
" 15c, " " (blk. 10, 1.25), "	.50	"	.15
5c Playing Cards (10 copies $1.50), "	.75	"	.18
10c Proprietary (10 for $1.25), "	.35	"	.14
$1 Mortgage "	3.00	"	.65
6c blue & black, 2nd issue, scarce	2.00	"	.50
U. S. 1902, 50c orange	.18	"	.04
" " " per 20	3.60	"	.75
Gt. Britain 1867, 5sh (5 for $2)	2.00	"	.45
Niger 1892, 5p unused (9 for $1)	.50	"	.12
New Brunswick 3p red, No. 1	4.50	"	1.75
" 1860, 1, 2, 5, 10, 12½, 17c, unused	1.62	"	.55

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*Justice, 1c	1.50	.60
*Treasury, 15c	.50	.15
*War, 7c	2.00	.75
St. Louis, 1 to 10c, fine copies	.33	.12
*Azores 1894, 5 to 100r complete	2.03	.85
Great Britain 1867, 5sh rose	2.00	.60
*Guam 1899, 5c	.50	.20
* " " 10c	1.00	.40
*New Brunswick 1860, 12½c blue, fine	.50	.25
* " " 17c black	.40	.20
*Newfoundland 1857, 3p green	2.00	1.00
* " 1897, Cabot complete	..	3.25
Panama 1892-96, 10 and 20c	.24	.08
" " 50c	.50	.20
*Transvaal 1895, Jubilee, 1p rose	.15	.06
*Venezuela 1865, ½r orange	.15	.06

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Roumania 1906, 1, 3, 5, 10, 15b, 176-181	.19	.09	
" 1906, 1, 5, 10, 15b, 186 etc.	.24	.10	
" " 186 to 195 (except 191)	1.18	.53	
Azores 1894, 5r to 100r*	2.03	.78	
Tunis 1906, 1, 5, 10, 20, 25, 35c	.26	.12	
China 1909 Jub. 2, 3, 7c*	..	.25	
Salvador 1894, $2, $5,* each	.20	.07	
" 1893, 10p orange*	.18	.06	
Soudan Army Ser. 1, 2, 3, 5m, 1pi	.40	.23	
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OUR ENGLISH LETTER.

By W. Ward.

New British Postmaster General.—The loud boasts of the editor of the *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly* that we should have a change of Postmaster-General in the new Parliament have come true—but not exactly in a way that he wanted. Whilst the British Postmaster-General has been changed, the Ministry of the People has not. The greatest and most popular Postmaster-General we have ever had has given up office for a better one under the Crown—his place being taken by Mr. Herbert Samuel, late Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster.

Juggling in Turkey.—What do American readers think of this six-weeks' record of the British Post Office in the Levant?

1 pias 30 paras on 4p brown and green.
1 pias 30 paras on 4p orange.
1¼ piastres on 4p orange.

Not so bad. Of course we shall not allow this to pass without a pull at the official strings. The Administration of the Levant Post Office is from Stamboul—but of course maintained from London. A Turkish correspondent even hints at a fourth issue, surcharged "70 paras." Nearly all the supplies of these stamps are held by interested parties in Constantinople—and future evidence will show whether they have any connection with the Post Office.

Don't let anyone this side dare to breathe aloud against the Lincoln, Alaska, or Hudson special issues of 1909. They, at least *were* honestly sold at all U. S. Post Offices.

What to Collect.—Is really becoming a dominant query. I am myself touching only those issues that are "no more"—and I find that there are quite enough. When I have personally satisfied myself that I can obtain no further interest or stable amusement out of the postal issues of the United States, I shall collect the beautiful U. S. Revenues. When I have exhausted those—well, I guess my three-score-years-and-ten-span will be up!

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—"With today's mail (Feb. 26) came copies of fake surcharges of the 1 centavo of Salvador, overprinted 15 Sept., 1821 and 1909, in three lines. It appears these fakes come from New York and were sent from there, to that country for circulation; the differences can be noted in the color of the ink which is in a lighter color, the figures 15 are thinner, the figure five has a larger curve than in the original. The space between 15 and S of Sept. is shorter, there is a larger space between 1 and 9 of 1909 and between 1 and 8 of 1821 while the figures 1 of 1909 and 1 of 1821 are in a direct line with the letter e of Sept., while in the original it is in a direct line with the letter s. The misprinting and inverted surcharges all bear this overprint in addition to the normal ones."—H. M. Wichman.

—Clippings are received from A. A. Kelson, C. M. Breder, Henry F. King, D. D. Berolzheimer, Edward Howard, C. E. Thomas, F. C. DePuy and John F. Hinson.

—Once more! Dealers are urged to let Riga, Russia, severely alone. No matter what the name of the applicant may be, have nothing whatever to do with this city. In the face of the free advertising we have given several gentlemen residing in this city, it passes comprehension how any dealer using our columns will allow himself to be buncoed.

—The members of the Trenton Philatelic Society at their last meeting were royally entertained at the home of E. B. Sterling. Mr. Ackerman's collection of Sweden was shown, also Mr. Sterling's general collection.

—"I have the 2d value, Solomon Islands, 1st issue imperforate vertical, in pairs. Has this or any of the other values ever been chronicled?"—Benedict Prieth.

COMMUNICATION.

(We do not hold ourselves responsible for the views expressed by our readers. Our columns are always open for communications of general interest.—Ed.)

Newark, N. J., Feb. 23, 1910.

Editor Mekeel's:

Having had my curiosity aroused by the announcement of a change in the current 1d and 6d St. Vincent, viz: the placing of a period under the letter "d," which, we are told, had been omitted through an oversight in the first printing of these two values, I decided to examine the pence values of the other British Colonies. Much to my surprise, I found that the period is missing in the majority of cases. In some colonies it is not present on any denomination; in others it is present in some and absent in others. In the current issue of Transvaal, it is absent in the pence values, but is to be found under the "s" of the shilling values. All of which seems to prove that it is not a matter of great importance, and so I fail to see why a new issue of the two above-mentioned St. Vincent stamps was necessary.

Benedict Prieth.

R.:—The newspaper stamps, United States, that were attached to the stubs of receipts given by postmasters when second class mail matter was paid for, were to be "at once effectually canceled." The exact manner in which the invalidation was to be done was not specified by the regulations of the department, we believe, and so, there is no uniform cancellation to be found on "used" newspaper stamps of the issues from 1875, onwards. (2) Your postal note for one cent is nothing much out of the ordinary; anyone who paid the fee of three cents could have bought one. The postal notes were retired about fifteen years ago.

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540	Navy 12c	1.25	.75	.60	.50
571	Treasury 1c	.85	.50	.30	.20
589	War 15c rose	.20	.15	.10	.07
591	" 30c "	.35	.20	.15	.10
592	" 90c "	1.00	.60	.45	.30
601	Interior 1879, 10c	.50	.35	.25	.15
602	" " 12c	.60	.40	.30	.25
603	" " 15c	1.25	1.00	.75	.60
605	Justice 1879, 3c	.60	.40	.30	.25
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528	10c " "	..	1.00
529	12c " "	1.50	1.00
529	12c " used	1.00	.75

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535a	3c blue, unused	.25	.20
537	6c " used	.20	.15
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539	10c " "	..	.60
541	15c " "	..	.75
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Maldives, 2c	.02
Gold Coast, King, 2d grey or 3d yellow	.05
French Morocco, new surcharge, 1, 2 & 3c, set	.04
Spanish Morocco **1910,** new design 2c	.02
Swiss Jubilee 1900, oblong, cat. 12c, pair	.02
Transvaal, 2d bi-color, obsolete, scarce	.02
Austrian Levant, Jubilee, 5c, 10p, 20p or 1 pias	.02
Cyprus, King, bi-colored, 5, 10, ½p & 30 paras, set	.05
Norway, new, 30o (cat. 8c) or obsolete 35o	.02
Sweden, obsolete 15o or 25o, scarce	.01
Austria, the scarce 1908 72c	
St. Vincent, view, 1p 1st type, or 2nd type, no stop, obs	.04
Russian Levant, 10 para, surcharged obs	.02
Canada Registered, cat. 8c, pair	.03
7 British Officials, cat. 27c, obsolete, set	.06

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Work That Counts—From the Educational Committee of the American Philatelic Society, we have received an envelope containing samples, the examination of which aroused our enthusiasm. Verily, the Educational Committee is fulfilling its duties in a way to command admiration, and in the discharge of them, it displays a refreshing intelligence. The enclosures of the envelope are such as to prove that a campaign of philatelic education has been launched under business conduct of the most approved and modern kind. The application of advanced treatment to the work of the committee is a step of enterprise; and the committee may know that its acumen in so nicely systematizing the affairs of office is not lost on those who follow the affairs of the American Philatelic Society closely. First of all, in the envelope is a folder along whose margin in five ruled spaces arranged vertically for their reception are five different stamps from the Philippine Islands, from 1886 to date, showing five different portraits, as follows: Alfonso XII; King Alfonso, as the baby king; King Alfonso, as on the issue of 1898; Franklin on the U. S., one-cent, 1902, surcharged Philippines; and McKinley as on the present four centavos. Just opposite each stamp is a paragraph giving in condensed form, particulars of the stamp and its face suggestions. A well-proportioned history of the Philippine Islands is presented; also, a table of the coinages under Spain and the United States. On the flap of the folder are the remarks, which show the manner in which the educational work is undertaken: "This set of stamps is presented to you with the compliments of the Educational Committee of the American Philatelic Society, whose membership includes stamp collectors all over the world. In about thirty days we will have ready a beautiful set of stamps from the island continent of the antipodes, Australia. It will be sent to you free upon receipt of three one cent stamps to partially pay the cost of handling and mailing. The Educational Committee has nothing to sell, and profits in no way from the distribution of these sets of stamps. We ask that you show the contents of this envelope to your parents or to some grown-up member of the family. Should any of your boy or girl friends desire to share in this distribution we will be glad to forward stamps upon receipt of names and addresses and three one cent stamps for each set. Educational Committee, American Philatelic Society, P. O. Box 20, Chicago, Ill." A second folder is "A Little Talk with the Boys and Girls," by President Mudge; it is brightly written and is attuned to appeal to its chosen audience. A third item is a card for the index of the committee which the recipient of the stamps is to return with his name and address and whether he has a stamp collection and if so, how many stamps. The method of the committee is to insert an advertisement in carefully selected mediums offering the set of five Philippine stamps free; the applicants receive the enclosures that have been described. The follow-up system is employed in all its perfection, as the index card indicates. We are told that returns are coming in good number; and thereby a practical vindication has been made of the wisdom of the committee in putting the plan into operation. Philatelic seeds are being sown whose growth will soon be noticed by all the philatelic observers.

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Soaring—Perhaps it is not generally realized that United States stamps in fine condition have greatly appreciated in value within a comparatively short time. If this classification is restricted to the older adhesives in perfect condition, the development has an almost startling significance. For some time at least a few who study philatelic conditions have been devoting attention to the old United States in perfect state and have had the realization brought vividly to mind that such stamps are remarkably scarce. Stamps such as the ten-cent, 1869, when centered and with full perforations, bright color and moderate cancellation and showing no noticeable disturbance of the fiber of the paper on the back are few and far between. Many of these stamps must be examined before a specimen fulfilling all these exactions is found. While the ten-cent 1869 in perfection used state has been cited by different authorities as the star scarcity, yet to some degree, the same parallels apply to all the stamps of the 1869 issue. The grilled issue of the 1861 type is notoriously hard to get in fittest condition, while the 1861 issue with all the virtues of perfect condition are scarce, indeed. The perforated stamps of 1855-60 present their difficulties, particularly in some of the denominations. As for the 1851 issue, we notice that in a recent auction sale of the Scott Stamp & Coin Company, the one-cent, type I brought $25.50 and type III of the same stamp, $10.70, or over catalogue in each case. Some of the early United States envelopes are experiencing an uplift, too. The collector who wants his used United States in a condition of absolute perfection will have a chase that will be felt in his purse, if he has to pay what such stamps really are worth.

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School of Philately—From the New England Stamp Company, we have received an unpretentious "sample stamp lesson" which is described as the introductory number of a series of similar lessons intended to show "in a clear, concise and simple manner," what a host of valuable information there is to be found in a collection of postage stamps. In our estimation the plan adopted is one that is entitled to the warmest commendation of all who work for the spread of the gospel of philately and naturally, while the innovation is advanced in the interests of the firm employing it, let it be said that it will have a beneficent influence on philately generally. The circular showing the "sample stamp lesson" is illustrated with the cuts of six stamps of striking and popular design and each picture is the subject of a question. For instance, the following questions and answers flank the cut of the Egyptian stamp. "What two great wonders of the world are located in Egypt and what is the Egyptian coin?" Answer: "The two great wonders of the world that are located in Egypt are the Sphynx and the Great Pyramids, and the Egyptian coin is a millieme." "How do we know from this stamp that a millieme is the Egyptian coin, and that the Sphynx and the Great Pyramids are located in Egypt?" Answer: "Because we find the words Postes Egyptiennes, which tells us that it is an Egyptian postage stamp. The Sphynx and Pyramid are pictured in the center of the stamp and we find the coin, millieme, on the left of the stamp." The circular well fortifies the claim that philately is an excellent aid for the young in the study of history and geography and a source of entertainment and even instruction for the folks at home.

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Ignores Us—The latest number of *Success Magazine* contains the following dissertation on "Postage Stamps" in its department of "pleasantry" where all accepted manuscript is paid for at the rate of ten cents a word. We congratulate the writer for getting nearly twenty dollars for a contribution for which the philatelic editor would have offered perhaps twenty cents. The essay may be deemed remarkable in that it says so much about postage stamps without referring once to philately:

"Postage stamps constitute one of our national products which refuse to yield to civilizing influences.

They have several bad habits of which they ought to be cured. In the first place, they do not rise in price with that airy ebulliency for which our national products have become justly famous. They don't even fluctuate. Almost any professor of political economy will admit that this is a gross error. There ought to be seasons of the year when postage stamps fluctuate violently, so that the poor men could not afford them at all. In that way postage stamps would now and then provide an outlet for some ambitious soul to make his name forever revered by securing a corner in them, to say nothing of the smaller fry who could make handsome livings year in and year out by buying and selling stamps on margin.

Another difficulty is that one knows exactly what one is buying, for they can not be adulterated. Anything that is properly civilized ought to lend itself readily to adulteration.

Furthermore, the price of postage stamps does not yield readily to car shortages, strikes, tariffs, free coinage of silver, big sticks, political oratory, investigating committees, sectional jealousies or yellow journalism.

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The answer is quite plain to you!
Who could it be but * * ****?

Tho' a trifle hard of hearing,
His smile is most endearing!
And if you'll pay your money down
You can get *most* stamps from * * *****!

He loves to catch the wily trout!
Also the prickly-nosed hornpout!
And if my hieroglyphs you probe
You'll find his name is ****** ****!

He pins his very dearest hopes
On finding some new envelopes!
His knowledge of these the tyro startles,
From this you'll know his name is *******!

"I think that was a 'body-blow'"!
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We've often heard on the auction floor
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He often comes to Boston city!
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He's pleasant when he's understood,
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Tho' over the country he likes to roam!
From what I've said I've plainly shown
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STAMPS ON EXPERIMENTAL PAPER.

By Charles R. Morris.

A short time ago I called upon the acting third assistant postmaster general with the purpose of securing information in connection with the stamps printed on experimental paper. Mr. Travers informed me that a statement would no doubt be made public and I am now able to give to the Weekly a copy of said statement.

Not only are the steps shown by which the issue of these stamps was arrived at, but as well the attitude of the Department is stated in its reply to a correspondent who urged a further issue of these stamps on blue paper in order to defeat speculation. The letter will be of interest to philatelists generally:

"Your letter of February 9, in regard to the postage stamps printed upon bluish experimental paper, is received.

In reply you are advised that no irregularity exists in connection with this issue. One year ago the Bureau of Engraving and Printing secured a quantity of paper containing about 30% of rags instead of being made entirely from wood pulp. This paper was made specially, in the hope that it would show less expansion and contraction from dampening than the regular stock, and thus mimimize a waste of about 9% which resulted from the cutting of perforations into the stamp designs.

The experimental paper happened to be of a slightly bluish tinge, which many considered preferable to the white of the regular paper. With a view to considering the advisability of adopting the bluish tint for all the stamps, the Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing was asked to print each denomination then in press upon the special paper. These denominations were 3c to 15c inclusive. For the purpose of insuring perfect specimens, several sheets of each were printed. The best of these were delivered to the Post Office Department, where they are still held. The Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing issued instructions to destroy the remaining sheets, but inadvertently they were mingled with other stamps in process of production and placed in stock.

The stamps printed, were as follows, one sheet of each having been delivered to this Department:

Denominations.	Sheets.	Stamps.
3c	10	4,000
4c	11	4,400
5c	10	4,000
6c	13	5,200
8c	10	4,000
10c	10	4,000
13c	10	4,000
15c	10	4,000

It was wholly impracticable to locate these stamps after they had been merged into the immense stock carried at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. In fact, the stamps being good for postage, no reason exists, from the standpoint of the postal service, for withdrawing them. Because of the merging of the stamps into regular stock, no record has been kept of the postoffices to which they have been issued. It is impossible to say, in fact, whether all of them have yet been issued.

The very fact of the wide distribution which you indicate, shows the absence of any irregularity in the issuance of the stamps. Collusion such as you suggest is manifestly improbable under such conditions.

No mention was made of the experimental 3c to 15c stamps in the annual report of the Third Assistant Postmaster General for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1909, because consideration of changes in the colors of postage stamp paper has not progressed sufficiently, at the time the report was prepared, to warrant discussion of the subject; and the fact that the stamps had been issued had not then developed. The matter will doubtless be discussed in the next annual report of the Third Assistant Postmaster General.

The speculation of which you complain is a matter over which the Department has no control. In the issuance of its stamps the Department considers their postage purpose solely. It does not take into account the question of whether the issues will or will not possess a philatelic value. This is believed to be the correct attitude, and one which is actually for the best interests of stamp collectors. To print a new supply of the stamps on the bluish paper primarily for sale to collectors would be a departure from this principle. Furthermore, it would establish a precedent for demands for reproduction of all issues which happen to have acquired philatelic value. As a stamp collector you are in position to judge the effect this would have upon philately.

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UNITED STATES.—Roger De L. French sends us the current 8c stamp precancelled "Hyde Park, Mass.", in type like the current Boston precancellation.

The *Attleboro Philatelist* has issued a supplementary list of precancels, and we would ask our correspondents to consult these two lists before sending us in notes of their finds.

Frank Purdy reports having seen a New York 1c Permit, No. 520, surcharged "2c" in purple ink.

We regret that a mistake was made in the item from Robert J. Wagner, regarding the sheets of the special delivery stamps, printed in No. 999. It should have stated the stamps are cut along the vertical line instead of the horizontal line, and merely perforated horizontally.

Fred Timaens sends us one of the current 1c stamps, which has a defect caused by a piece of paper falling on the plate while printing, which presents the appearance of a couple of leaves falling out of the wreath and concealing a part of Franklin's forehead. Even under the glass the leaves appear to be perfectly formed.

Charles A. Townsend reports the 2c and 4c precancelled Ashland, Ohio, both inverted.

John A. Solomon reports the following precancels: Cincinnati, 2c Lincoln; down.

AFGHANISTAN.—*Maury's Collectionneur* says that the 2 rupee stamp, announced in No. 993, was a mistake, the value being a 6 chahis instead.

Adhesive.

6ch orange.

ARGENTINE.—The peso value of the San Martin set has now appeared, and shows important modifications in the design. Instead of being in an oval the portrait appears in a circle, the stamp being larger than the low values. In the lower right corner there is a sitting female figure, personifying the Republic, the value being in the opposite lower figure.

Adhesive.

1p blue and rose.

BELGIUM.—The Belgian papers say that the portrait of King Albert will not appear on the stamps before the middle of next year.

BRAZIL.—Recent changes in the postal tariff of this country will likely cause important changes in the denominations of the various stamps, regular, official and postage due. For instance, the 400 and 700 reis of the regular set will be suppressed and new stamps of 600 and 10,000 reis created; the 10, 300, 400 and 700 reis official stamps will be suppressed and stamps of 600, 20,000, 50,000, 100,000, 500,000 and 1,000,000 reis will be added; the postage due stamps of 300, 500 and 700 reis will be omitted hereafter and 600 and 5,000 reis added.

A stamp of 1,000,000 reis sounds very large, but the actual value will be about $546. The changes in the postal tariffs provide that letters for the interior will be carried for 100 reis hereafter instead of 200 reis; and that foreign letters will require 200 reis instead of 300 reis. The new official stamps will have the portrait of Dr. Nilo, the new President of the Republic.

CANADA.—A. A. Kelson reports having seen several hundred sheets of the current 2c Canadian stamp, plate numbers 73 and 74, with the following inscription at the bottom of the sheet inverted: "Top—Ottawa 73," and "Top—Ottawa 74."

CANAL ZONE.—Hermann Focke shows us specimens of the new 2c stamps with both the new small type overprint reading up and the older large type overprint reading down. Mr. Focke says he has seen the small type surcharge only on the 2c, but has seen the other on the entire set of 1909. On the other hand Robert J. Wagner reports having seen the 10c of 1909, with the surcharge reading up. We are unable to say which is the permanent type, though when first seen it was supposed that the small surcharge, reading up, was to be used hereafter.

CHILE.—The *Postage Stamp* gives the following particulars of two new series of postage stamps, which are to be issued in Chili during the present year. The first, comprising fourteen values, is intended to replace the present permanent issue, whilst the second, of thirteen stamps, will commemorate the Centenary of Chilian Independence.

It is considered improbable that either will be ready for issue before the summer, when the Centenary falls. The following are the designs, colors, and values of these impending issues:

General Issue. Centres in black for all above 5c.

1c green (Columbus).
2c red (Valdivia).
3c brown (Toro Zambrano).
5c blue (O'Higgins).
10c grey (Friere).
12c carmine (F. A. Pinto).
15c purple (J. Prieto).
20c light blue (Manuel Montt).
30c senna (J. J. Perez).
50c dark green (F. Errazurig Z.).
$1 emerald green (A. Pinto).
$2 vermilion (D. Santa Maria).
$5 bronze (J. M. Balmaceda).
$10 golden (F. Errazurig E.).

Commemorative Issue. Centres in black.

1c green (Oath of Independence).
2c rose (Battle of Chacabuco).
5c blue (Battle of Maipo).
10c senna (Sea fight between the "Lantaro" and "Esmeralda").
12c carmine (Capture of the "Maria Isabella").
20c orange (Abdication of O'Higgins).
25c light blue (First Congress).
30c lilac (O'Higgins' Monument).
50c bronze green (Carrera's Monument).
$1 yellow (San Martin's Monument).
$2 vermilion (General Balnes).
$5 green (General Zenteno).
$10 dark violet (Admiral Cochrane).

COLOMBIA.—S. B. Whitehead sends us a couple of perforation freaks from this country, including a horizontal pair of the current 2c stamps, with double perforations between, and a horizontal pair of the current stamps with extra perforation across both stamps, about one-third of the way from the bottom.

CONGO BELGE.—A new series, with portrait of King Albert is reported to be in preparation.

CRETE.—*Lemaire's Journal* reports that regular postage and postage due sets are being prepared and will shortly be issued. The regular set will include 10, 20, 25 and 50 lepta and 1, 3 and 5 drachmas. The postage due set will include 1, 5, 10, 20, 40 and 50 lepta and 1 and 2 drachmas. The design is said to represent allegorically, Greece, which is likely to bring out a protest from the Porte.

GABON.—We are indebted to the New England Stamp Co. for specimens of the low values of a new set for Gabon, Congo Francais, which is certainly the worst of the many monstrosities issued for the various French Colonies. The design is a large upright 20x35 mm., and printed on white paper, in two colors. The leading feature is a Congo warrior, in full war array, feathers, spears, and all.

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Adhesives.

1c red orange and violet brown.
2c dark red brown and black.
5c blue green and olive gray.
10c carmine and red.

GUATEMALA.—Hermann Focke sends us another "Centenario" stamp from Latin America, Guatemala being the latest country to be afflicted with the commemoration fever. Whether this stamp is the forerunner of a complete set of similar design, or whether a series with different portraits is in process of issue, Mr. Focke is unable to inform us, as he had no intimation that Guatemala contemplated a new issue. There seems to be no doubt, however, that the year 1910 will bring out a good crop of these commemorative issues.

The stamp which Mr. Focke sends us is of large size, about 21x26 mm., an upright oblong, printed in two colors on white paper, and perforated 14. The portrait is small, and arranged in a small oval below the centre line of the stamp, but the inscriptions are so numerous as to crowd the stamp. The value is printed in small circles in each of the lower corners, small figures surrounded by "Centavos" in slightly larger circles. The inscriptions read "Centenario—de—Miguel Garcia Granados—22 de Septiembre" above the portrait, and "Republic de Guatemala—America Central." All the lines are curved, except "America Central," and all inscriptions are in colorless letters. The dates "1809" and "1909" appear in small tablets at either side of the portrait.

Adhesive.

6c yellow brown and dark blue.

INDIA.—The 3a orange brown King's Head stamp has been overprinted "On H. M. S." for official use.

NEW ZEALAND.—We omitted to say that the ½d and 1d of the new set were surface printed, the others being line engraved. The ½d stamps are printed in sheets of 240, 10 rows of 24, the others in sheets of 120, 10 rows of 12 stamps.

PAPUA.—Hermann Focke writes thus entertainingly regarding Papuan stamps, and sends specimens of the new ½d and 2sh 6d to illustrate his letter:

"I am just in receipt of news from Port Moresby, Papua, that will be interesting to the collectors of the stamps of this colony. In addition to the 1d carmine on paper with watermark Crown A sideways, reported in No. 998, I have received ½d, 2d, 4d, 6d and 2sh 6d with the same watermark. Only the 2½d and 1sh now remain in stock on paper with wmk. upright or inverted. The watermark sideways appear on all values running to right and left.

"The ½d appears now with the frame retouched, in other words the type of the frame is now the same as that of the other values with "Papua" smaller, excepting the 2sh 6d, just issued, which again has the frame with large "Papua" like the first issue of the ½d stamp. The perforations still come in the 2 varieties, the ½d and 2d values being perforated 12½ while the 1d, 4d, 6d and 2sh 6d are perforated 11.

"The six values have also been perforated with letters "O S" for official use. I have also received the 2½d and 1sh old issue, perforated 12½ with "O S" perforation, the first I have seen perforated 12½, all others in any collection being perforated 11.

"The paper on which the stamps are now printed is thinner, whiter and of a finer texture than that of the 1908 issue. The gum is also white instead of yellow. Now then, let us start for the hunt of another 64 varieties."

PARAGUAY.—*Gibbons Weekly* notes another value, the 20c green, dated "1904," and surcharged "1909" in black.

PHILIPPINES.—Theodore Siddall sends us the current 4c stamp in a new shade, which appeared about Jan. 15. This is the second of the series to appear in the new color.

Adhesive.

4c carmine lake.

RUSSIA.—The 35k has been issued on white unwatermarked paper with varnish lines like the current low value.

RUSSIA.—*Post Offices in China.*—The 50k violet and green, on unwatermarked paper has been overprinted "Ketai" in blue for use in China.

SALVADOR.—We are indebted to Hermann Focke and the C. E. Hussman Stamp Co. for specimens of the first value of the long promised series of stamps from this country. The portrait is that of General Fernando Figueroa, President of the Republic, arranged in an irregular shaped opening, with an elaborate frame composed of lathe work. At the top is "U. P. U." and "Correos de Salvador" with the figures of value in small tablets at the sides of the portrait, and "Centavo" at the bottom. The stamp is in two colors, on paper watermarked honey comb, and perforated 11½. It was issued Feb. 7.

Adhesive.

1d dark brown and black.

The C. E. Hussman Co. has shown us the 1c on watermarked paper, surcharged in red "1821—15 Septiembre—1909," with the surcharge inverted.

SPANISH MOROCCO.—William Ward sends us the new 2c stamp of Spain, surcharged "Correo Espanol—Marruecos," as previously noted.

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NEW YORK, Feb. 17, 1910.

Meeting called to order at 8.30 with President Wilford in the chair and 32 members present. Practically all business was suspended until next meeting. This meeting should long be remembered as the occasion when, for the first time in its history, the society was honored with a visit of another philatelic body. The visiting society, "The Richmond County Philatelic Association," was most ably and strongly represented and was received with the most hearty welcome and enthusiasm. Their members made a magnificent showing in the exhibition of Cuba, the prize going to Mr. Isenstein of the home society, with honorable mention for Mr. Ward, one of the visitors. The evening was devoted entirely to the exhibition and exchange of stamps. Refreshments were of course part of the program. Do not forget the next meeting, March 3.

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The regular monthly meeting of the N. E. P. A. was held Feb. 8th, 1910, at 28 School St., Room 1. In the absence of the President and Vice President, Mr. Charles H. Stone was elected chairman pro tem. Minutes of the January meeting read and approved. Treasurer's report read and approved. Communication from the official organ read and suitable action taken thereon. Messrs. L. L. Green of Medford and P. C. Kimball of No. Scituate elected to membership. The names of Messrs C. F. Rothfuchs, H. B. Seagrave and B. L. Drew proposed for membership. Laid over until March meeting. After an informal talk on stamp matters generally meeting adjourned at 10 p. m.

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APPLICATIONS PENDING.

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Macri, Alfred.	Paine, C. M.
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Hosmer, Thos. L., 200 Walnut St., Des Moines, Iowa; age 25; Salesman. Reference: Hawkeye Transfer Co. Proposed by D. T. Eaton, No. 1039.

Jackson, Oscar F., 2139 W. 30th St., Los Angeles, Cal.; age 32; Wholesale Druggist. Reference: Brunswig Drug Co. Proposed by Clarence G. Weisbrod, No. 2339.

Holpuck, James, 1840 Loomis St., Chicago, Ill.; age 41; Civil Engineer. Reference: Charles N. Roberts, 97 Clark St. Proposed by B. O. Komorous, No. 3592.

Lazos, Louis, Box 711, Manchester, N. H.; age 23; Factory Employee. Reference: G. E. Merritt, 277 Middlesex St., Lowell, Mass. Proposed by Chas. Dane, No. 3334.

Thier, Max, Wilmerdorferstrasse 152, Charlottenberg I., Germany; age 58. References: Int. Phil. Verein, Dresden; Fred Liebeck, Philadelphia, A. P. S. Proposed by Eugene Klein, No. 2275.

Graham, V. M., 15 Maple St., Saranac Lake, N. Y.; age 38; Supt. Reference: Rochester Trust & Safe Deposit Co. Proposed by F. B. Griffith, Jr., No. 1836.

Raub, H. L. Jr., Marietta Ave., Lancaster, Pa.; age 17; Student. Reference: The Lancaster Trust Co. Proposed by Percy McG. Mann, No. 3202. Guaranteed by father, H. L. Raub.

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3738. Hanson, Linwood E., Detroit, Mich.
3739. Ward, H. A., Pittsburg, Pa.
3740. Conrad, H. V., East Liberty, Pa.
3741. Heiser, George, Maysville, Ky.
3742. Whitney, George, Waterford, N. Y.

RESIGNATIONS ACCEPTED.

2501. Ralston, Jack, Huston, Texas.
3352. Scott, Chas., Toronto, Canada.
2364. Baer, Dr. P. R., St. Louis, Mo.

RESIGNATIONS RECEIVED.

3118. Allen, Jesse A., Box 146, Meredosia, Ill.
2996. Benson, Enoch B., Jr., Hartwell, Ga.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

2471. Douglass, J. E., from Highland Ave. to 112 N. Oakley Ave., Columbus, Ohio.
3362. Kelley, R. F. S., from Mosher St. to Room 15, City Hall, Baltimore, Md.
3227. Weissheimer, J. W., from Highland Falls, N. Y., to 715 Asylum Ave., Hartford, Ct.

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New stockholders,	9
Total,	1889
Resignations accepted,	3
Total membership, Feb. 26, 1910,	1886

H. S. ADAIR, Sec.

DETROIT BRANCH No. 25.

At the meeting of the Detroit Branch, A. P. S., 11th of February, 1910.

General C. A. Coolidge, President, called the meeting to order with fourteen members present and five visitors. Letters were read in regard to nominations for A. P. S. offices at the convention, but the Detroit society voted to be non-partisan as to indorsing any candidates as a body, owing to our position as host at the convention.

A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer for his complimentary priced catalogue.

A donation auction sale of seventy-five lots was held for the benefit of the local society's convention fund. A pair of U. S. 1847, 5c dark-brown, severed pair on cover, brought $2.10. U. S. encased postal currency—1c Ayres Pills, $2.00; U. S. same 3c Ayres Sarsaparilla, $2.00; U. S. same, 5c Brown's Bronchial Troches, $3.10; U. S. same, 10c Drakes Plantation Bitters, $3.00.

C. F. HEYERMAN, Sec.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 16, 1910.

The third meeting of the District of Columbia Branch No. 36 of the American Philatelic Society was called to order by President Morris on Wednesday, Feb. 9th, at 8.50 p. m. Eight members were present and regular order of business followed.

The following motion being duly seconded was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, that the District of Columbia Branch No. 36 of the American Philatelic Society nominates the following gentlemen for directors of the American Philatelic Society for the year 1910-1911: Mr. H. N. Mudge, Chicago, Ill., President; Board of Vice Presidents, Mr. F. R. Cornwall, Mr. Chester Myers, and Mr. A. Strauss all of St. Louis, Mo.; Mr. Chas. R. Morris, Washington, D. C., Secretary; Dr. W. P. Wherry, Omaha, Neb., Treasurer; Mr. L. H. Kjellstedt, Scranton, Pa., Int. Secretary; Gen'l C. A. Coolidge, Detroit, Mich., Director at large; Mr. H. J. Crocker, San Francisco, Cal., Director at large.

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S. M. EDWARDS, Sec.

Argusville, N. D., Feb. 22, 1910.

THE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT.

Distribution No. 27, sent to the participants on Feb. 24th, consisted of the following 22 new issues: Belgium 3, Belgian Congo 6, Cape of Good Hope 1, Cochin 1, German Levant 1, Tonga Islands 1, South Australia 8, Venezuela 1.

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THE SEVEN NOVTCHIYA OF MONTENEGRO.

By WILLIAM EVANS.

Montenegro is one of the countries which has never been popular with American philatelists, perhaps for several reasons. The country itself can hardly be called one of the important nations of the European world and consequently is not often in the public eye. Its issues have been classified only in the most elementary manner by American cataloguers so that there appears to be no great attraction to the specialist, and some of its later issues are not without the suspicion of having been unnecessarily produced.

The first issue is, however free from all taint of speculation. It was in continuous use for twelve years and presents many points of great interest to one who desires to specialize inexpensively.

The stamps of this issue are of a design at once simple and striking, and compare favorably with the stamps of any other country of that date. The profile portrait of Prince Nicholas I surrounded by a wreath forms the centre of the design. A rectangular frame with scroll like ornamentation at each corner, and bearing an inscription in each side, completes the design. The inscription beginning at the left and passing around is "BILEGA TPOSHTE TZR. GORE." At the bottom is the value, "7 NOVTCH." Freely translated this is paid postage, Montenegro, 7 novtchiya. Tzr. Gore is the native name for the country, abbreviated.

The stamps of this issue were printed upon paper bearing in each sheet the words "ZEITUNGS MARKEN," twenty-three millimetres high. They were lithographed and printed at Vienna, which doubtless accounts not only for the watermark in the paper but also for the perforations, which will be considered later.

The first issue consisted of seven values and the seven novtchiya is without doubt the most interesting one of them all, though the whole issue possesses much of interest.

The seven novtchiya appeared first in a violet color. Scott makes this color a minor variety of the rose. This classification is certainly incorrect. The rose color did not make its appearance until several years later. Gibbons calls the first color mauve, and Kohl calls it "lebhaftblaulila." Senf says "blaulila." This shade seems to be hard to name. It is more nearly the color of the 2 mils de peso of the 1882 issue of Porto Rico, than of any other stamp I recall, but is not exactly the same shade. It must have been a hard one to reproduce since it has never appeared in the later printings of the stamp. It can not be stated definitely which of the shades followed it nor can the other shades of the stamp be chronologically arranged at present. There are several of them between this and 1881 when the color was changed to rose. These are blue violet, lilac, red-lilac, and pale rose. It is probable that the shades containing blue in their composition were the earlier ones and that gradually the red superceded the blue until it finally came to be adopted as the color of the stamp and all of the blue or nearly all of it was eliminated. Two shades claret and pale claret have been omitted. These appeared sometime between 1881 and 1893 and are most frequently seen bearing the 1893 surcharge.

There was no seven novtchiya value in the Jubilee issue of 1896 but it reappeared in the 1898 issue in gray-lilac. In the later issues this value has been eliminated.

The perforating of the stamps of Montenegro was done in Vienna, and this doubtless accounts for the varieties existing. It is a well known fact that there are a great many perforating machines in use there and that any one of them is likely to be used at any time. The most of the first issue of Montenegran stamps were perforated 10½ with large holes in irregular alignment. It is likely however that a few sheets were run through a machine perforating 12, and it is possible that other machines were used. Later there were issued the following perforations, viz.: 12, 12½, 13, 12½x10, 11½x12½, 12½x12, 11, 10½, 11½. All of these except the last three are easily recognized by their irregular alignment, and the last three are just as easily recognized by their regularity of alignment. The 11 gauge did not appear until 1881, and the other two not until 1893.

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tion differs from the same gauge of previous years in the size of the holes, which are smaller, showing more paper between them, and in their regular alignment.

The seven novtchiya is known with several of these perforations. The violet shade of the first issue is known with the 10½ irregular perforation. I have not seen this shade with any other perforation, though Gibbons catalogues it with gauge 11.

In the 12 gauge there are known the blue lilac, which I have seen in no other perforation, lilac, and red-lilac. The 12½ perforation is found in the red-lilac and pale rose shades, and the 13 is found in the red-lilac. The only compound perforation I have seen in this value is 12½x12 in pale rose.

The 11 perforation is found in the rose shade of 1881. The 10½ gauge of 1893 is known in rose and the 11½ in rose, claret and pale claret.

In 1893 the current stamps were surcharged to celebrate the four hundredth anniversary of the introduction of printing into Montenegro. The surcharge consisted of the date "1493" at the left of the stamp, "1893" at the right, "Proslava" at the top and "Shtamparije" at the bottom. Although almost all of the surcharged stamps are perforated 10½ or 11½, just enough exceptions have been found to indicate that a few sheets bearing the old perforations were on hand when the surcharging was done and were sent to the printer's with the rest.

The seven novtchiya perforated 10½ is known in rose and pale claret, and the 11½ perforation is found in rose, claret, and pale claret. The rose stamp perforated 11 is known with this surcharge, as are also the claret and lilac shades perforated 12 and the red-lilac shade perforated 12½.

A number of errors exist in the surcharge but it is only necessary to mention here those occurring in connection with this value. These are a double surcharge on the pale rose; an inverted surcharge on the pale rose perforated 10½, the lilac and the claret perforated 12; the date 1495 instead of 1493 on the pale rose perforated 10½, and on the rose perforated 11; and the "9" dropped from "1493" on the pale rose.

There were at least two settings of this surcharge and it is believed that the above errors occurred in the first setting.

The second setting was set up to cover a quarter of a sheet or twenty-five stamps, and most of these show peculiarities by which they can be readily recognized. It is unnecessary to enumerate them in this place. The seven novtchiya is known with this setting of the surcharge in the rose color perforated 10½ and 11½. The sheets were separated into panes of twenty-five stamps before the surcharge was applied and it is therefore impossible to obtain a full sheet showing it.

The last issue of the seven novtchiya was in 1898 when it appeared in gray-lilac perforated 10½ and 11½.

From these notes it will be seen that this is a particularly interesting stamp to study and especially to trace through its various shades and perforations. Verily there are many things left out of the catalogues and it adds much to the pleasure of the pursuit of philately to try to find out by studying the stamps what these things are.

FOREIGN NOTES AND NEWS.

By L. Harald Kjellstedt.

The Stamps of Finland—While many countries have celebrated with commemorative issues historical events which have led to liberty and independence, there is one country whose postal issues during later years have marked the gradual crushing of the aspirations which are dearest to the human heart. I refer to Finland, a country, which during a union with Sweden lasting for centuries, attained a culture which is far in advance of that of its present master. The oaths and constitution subscribed to and confirmed by the Romanoff emperors ever since 1809, when Finland, bleeding and devastated, was torn from the little sister nation which understood and shared its hopes and sorrows, have been set aside by the present incumbent of the Russian throne. The assaults on the constitutional rights of the Finnish people have been made in the insidious and underhanded way which is so characteristic of Russian diplomacy.

Early Issues.—The following data will undoubtedly prove of interest to the collector who studies his stamps and their historical relations. Up to 1889 the Post Department of Finland had entire control of its own postage issues and every stamp design included the coat of arms of the country and the later issues up to that time had its name in Swedish and Finnish. In 1889 the first blow was dealt when the, heretofore independent, postal administration received orders from St. Petersburg to place Russian inscriptions on the stamps. Referring to type A5 in the Standard catalogue we find, to the left, the name of the country in Swedish "FINLAND". To the right we have the name in Finnish "SUOMI". At the top is the value in Finnish and at the bottom in Swedish. Now turn to type A6 which shows the modification made necessary by the imperial order. To the left is the name in Swedish, at the top in Finnish and to the right in Russian. In the bottom corners the value is expressed in Finnish and Russian abbreviations.

Russification.—August 14, 1891, a second and still more important blow fell when the postage stamps of Finland were declared invalid for international use. This necessitated a new issue which closely followed the designs used for the postage stamps of Russia and in the stamps of 1891 we find the little circular ornamentations which were reluctantly granted the Finlanders as the only dis-

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tinction separating the postage issues of Russia and the grand duchy of Finland. The five values issued in 1901-02 were deprived of these circular marks but still retained the expression of value in Finnish as well as in Russian. The last and final blow fell recently when an order was issued from St. Petersburg to the effect that after the 1st of January of the present year Russian stamps only will be sold at the post offices throughout Finland. The present Finnish issue will be accepted for postage until May 14, 1910. Thus, by a stroke of a tyrant's pen, Finland's account is closed in catalogues and albums, and its issues, now all obsolete, will tell to the stamp lover their sad tale of a lost struggle for liberty and national independence.

New Russian Locals.—The *Berliner Briefm. Zeitung* announces a commemorative issue of postage stamps by the District of Poltawa, Russia. Like the Russian Levant issue they have appeared rather post festum as the date for the commemoration was June 27, 1909. On that date, in the year 1709, the Russians under Peter the Great, defeated at Poltawa the invading army of the Swedes led by their brave but eccentric King Charles XII, frequently referred to as the "madman of the North." This, the latest of commemorative issues, has seven values, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10 and 15 kopeks, with a rather pleasing design in purely Russian style. The central portions of the stamps are devoted to subjects connected with the commemoration. Thus we find a half figure portrait of Peter the Great on the highest value. One value shows the monument erected on the battlefield in memory of the Russians killed. Another has a picture of the monument dedicated by Sweden to the many of its sons who fell and were buried on the same field. As nothing is said to the contrary I take for granted that this issue is purely local and not available for international postage.

Value of Commemoratives.—Notwithstanding the strong agitation against commemorative and unnecessary issues set in motion by our fellow collectors in England, I am inclined to believe that new commemorative issues will appear from time to time for many years to come. This for the reason that there is no department through which the Government gets into so close contact with the people as the Post Office Department. At the time of a national celebration it is desirable to attract the attention of an entire nation and this can not be done more cheaply or more effectively than through a tastefully designed and inexpensive token, such as a postage stamp, circulated through the people's postal service to every village and hamlet in the land. And as far as stamp collecting is concerned, it has been proven beyond the slightest doubt, that every new issue of stamps, especially the commemorative, attract the young minds and gain more recruits for our hobby than any missionary work that we collectors can do. I recommend to my English friends the following passage from the last annual report of our Third Assistant Postmaster General. He says under the heading "Philatelic Demand for Postage Stamps": "The collecting of stamps seems to be considerably on the increase. . . . The issuance of the new stamps of the series of 1908, the Lincoln, Alaska-Yukon-Pacific, and Hudson-Fulton commemorative issues, as well as of the various unperforated stamps, has apparently contributed in no small degree to the increased interest in philately, judging from the increasing inquiries and orders received from collectors and dealers."

I must confess that it was the U. S. Columbian issue which made me a captive to the charms of philately and ever since I have found it impossible to overcome my kindly feelings for that and similar issues. Philately has meant so much to me as my only rest and recreation that I bless the means by which I was led to its fold.

Issues to be Taboed.—The coming congress of British societies will undoubtedly take further steps to carry out a policy which so far has met with scant encouragement at the hands of the powers that be. In connection with this I think it would be wise to consider whether we should boycott, suppress or discourage any kind of stamp issue which serves to attract the non-collector, which will stimulate the interest of the young collector and which will advertise our hobby as nothing else will. Unnecessary and sometimes inexcusable surcharges and overprints, commemorative or otherwise, should meet with our united and unstinted condemnation. Issues, on the other hand, tastefully designed and skillfully executed, which form part of national celebrations of the great events in a nation's life have undeniable claims on philately on account of the educational and historical features with which they are associated.

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HEARTY CONGRATULATIONS.

We have received from many sources words of hearty congratulation upon the typographical and literary excellence of the special number issued February 26. We assure our readers they are heartily appreciated, and they only serve to spur us on to higher endeavor. The two special numbers that we have planned for this month and April will furnish a feast of good things and will tend to strengthen the bond of friendship between the WEEKLY and its subscribers.

Our issue of March 26 will be a "Cleveland Special" and all copy for that number should be received by March 19. A very pretty cover will be added, and the contents of the issue will be eulogistic of the activity of Cleveland as a philatelic center.

THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

From the Canal Zone—Several months ago, the Hon. Thos M. Cook, Director of Posts of the Canal Zone, spoke before the Nebraska Association of Postmasters and his remarks while of great general interest to those affiliated with the postal service of the United States will prove a revelation to philatelists. We are grateful that through the instrumentality of a friend we have been presented with a copy of the speech. Not alone have the words of Mr. Cook their official aspect but they are singularly readable as well. Before describing the postal conditions in the Canal Zone, Mr. Cook paid a tribute to the celerity of the mail messengers in establishing post-offices in the field of military operations or in new colonies when occasion arose some years ago. He says: "I remember eleven years ago on the island of Puerto Rico, with our troops still there and the Spanish armies encamped in the hills, of seeing a R. P. messenger dash across the road with a wagon load of mail, jump out at the first opportunity, make a canvas table, dumping his mail out on the ground, fix up a soap box divided into pigeonholes and start a post-office in fifteen minutes. There is no mail messenger on earth but an American messenger who could have done it. Therefore, I was not surprised that within two or three weeks after my arrival on the Canal Zone, General Davis said to me that there was necessity for a post-office."

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First Issue—Mr. Cook went to the Canal Zone with the purpose of taking charge of the customs department. When he received the new honor of postal chief, he had some misgivings as to how to wear it. About the time the order was issued, Mr. Cook confesses that he did not know where to mail his own letters and he realized the propriety of installing the postal service. Mr. Cook at once began the organization of his department. He said: "The order was all right. It was well written; but I walked out of the room pondering where on earth I was going to find postmasters. We, however, went over to the Panamanian government and bought a thousand dollars' worth of stamps. We had an old Greek down there make a rubber stamp to mark those stamps 'Canal Zone,' and we staid up all one night surcharging those stamps 'Canal Zone.' Those were our original issue of stamps and I understand that they are very valuable now. I have none of them myself. We then took an engine and box car and ran across the isthmus on the railway there, stopping at every station and crediting the agent a postmaster, leaving him a number of those stamps. We also had some old coin sacks and some sealing wax; and we would leave a bale or two of those sacks and some sealing wax with him. Those were our mail equipments; and our first mail to reach New York was sent in coin sacks, sealed with sealing wax; and it was real sure-enough postal system. It was handled by Americans and that was all the government wanted." Mr. Cook mentioned the fact that while on its own basis as an independent establishment, the postal system of the Canal Zone was fortunate in having the sponsorship of the United States Post Office Department; and Mr. Cook took public opportunity "to say that no parent has ever been kinder to its child" than our great institution was to its little ward.

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Later Issues—We shall have to omit some of the interesting details related by Mr. Cook and shall proceed to his reference to the first surcharged issue on the United States stamps: "Two months after the preliminary stamp issue, we received from the United States Government nine million stamps—ones, twos, fives, eights and tens—United States issue surcharged 'Canal Zone.' We used them until December 12, 1904, at which time, under agreement with them, we purchased our stamps—postage stamps— from the Government of Panama and surcharged them 'Canal Zone.' That is, stamped 'Canal Zone' on them, and they then became our postage stamps. We pay for those stamps forty per cent. of their face value. So those of you who know what the cost of postage stamps is to the general government will know what they cost me down there when I tell you that I pay forty per cent. to the Government of Panama; and still the Post Office Department of the Canal Zone is a paying institution and declares an annual dividend." Mr. Cook told of the manner in which the United States settled money order balances in the Canal Zone's relation with other countries and it was made clear that the influential patronage of the department of the United States is a most helpful factor in the operations of the Canal Zone's postal administration.

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Ringing Words—Mr. Cook after dwelling upon the growth of the Canal Zone department and sketching its present flourishing condition, said: "At present we are using the postal laws and regulations of the United States postal department. They were embodied in the laws of the Canal Zone where they were applicable. We have to carry everything in the mails down there except the mules. I do not doubt but that they will be shipping them as soon as I got away. I have carried a repair part for a steam shovel, weighing 175 pounds, and I have carried a coffin containing the body of an American citizen, by mail; glad to do both of them—glad to facilitate the work down there. We are simply an adjunct to the building of the canal, and wherever the chairman of the commission wants a post office, if it is twelve miles up the Chagres River, we will put it there, and we will pull the mail up there in a kiuka. We will get it there because we have got a lot of bright-faced young American postal clerks who are perfectly willing to do their work, and have done it for four years without a breath of scandal or the removal of an employe." Mr. Cook's graphic portrayal of the postal history of the Canal Zone is a welcome supplement to the recorded information on the subject, heretofore, and it is a privilege to publish it, through the kindness of Mr. Herzstock and the *Postal Clerk*.

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The First One Here—In Mr. Howes' enlightening article in our 1000th number, there was a reference to the first stamp paper published in this country, S. Allen Taylor's *Stamp Collector's Record*, established in 1864. That a paper devoted to "the strange mania" of collecting postage stamps could attract support enough to justify its existence was widely commented upon in general publications of that time and many curious and not always courteous comments were excited by its appearance. For instance in a book of the day, we find: "There is a small paper published in Albany, New York, entitled the *Stamp Collectors' Record*. It is entirely devoted to the cause of stamps and their collectors. It furnishes also considerable information upon the subject in connection with foreign stamps." This commentator made the point that stamp collecting was a pursuit entitled to consideration because the followers would become familiar with the various usages of the governmental departments of this country and other countries.

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WASH.	* " 5 on 1p	.50	.16
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	" 1902, O. S. G. S., 5pi	.65	.28

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10	Ecuador 1r orange, unused	.18	.05
15	Indo China 1fr, used	.12	.04
38	Br. Honduras, 2c rose, "	.05	.02
1	Paraguay 1r rose, unused	.25	.08
15	" 2c red, "	.12	.04
62	Peru 50c rose & black, "	.20	.07
64	" 1s ultra. & red, "	.35	.12
115	" 1s brown, "	.30	.10
124	" 50c green, "	.30	.10
210	Philippines 1p green, "	1.50	.60
305	" 2 4-8 on 2 4-8c ultra., used	.50	.10
9	Porto Rico 50c ultra., unused	1.25	.42
62	" 2c rose, "	.20	.07
66	" 10c green, "	75	.27
123	" 4c blue green, used	.20	.07
48	Portugal 50r blue, "	.35	.12
62	" 1000r black, "	1.00	.33
24	Prussia 2kr orange, unused	1.25	.41
38	Queensland 1p orange, used	.60	.20
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3	" 1a vermilion, "	.20	.07
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14	" 12c blue, "	.50	.17
16	" 30c claret, "	.35	.13
30	Switzerland 10r blue, "	.35	.14
32	" 20r yellow, "	.25	.09
33	" 40r green, "	.50	.19
38	" 20r orange, "	.20	.07
7	Timor 80r slate, unused	.30	.10
9	" 200r orange, "	.30	.10
10	" 300r brown, "	.35	.12
121	Transvaal 2½ on 1s gr'n, unused	.35	.15
48	Trinidad 1p vermilion, used	.75	.29
1	Turks Is. 1p rose, "	2.25	.78
4	" 1p dull red, "	2.00	.75
36	Uruguay 10c green, "	.25	.09
40	" 1c brown, "	.25	.08
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SPECIAL DELIVERY VARIETY.

A. A. Kelson, Virgil, Ont., Canada, has submitted samples of the blue special delivery with letter describing a variety. We quote from his communication as follows:—

"Upon closely examining some of the late blue Special Delivery stamps of the United States, series 1902, plate 1774, I find upon a few that the bottom white line running horizontally across the stamp under the words 'Ten cents,' is broken directly beneath the letter N of cents.

"Am I the first to report this variety? Perhaps some of your readers would enlighten me as to whether more than one stamp on a sheet from plate 1774, shows this variation.

"I should also be glad to know the exact location on the sheet, of any other stamp showing this difference."

Upon receipt of the above information from Mr. Kelson we forwarded the letter to Mr. Morris of Washington who we felt sure could give exact information on the subject and he now reports to us as follows:—

"On plate 1774 the imperfection first makes its appearance on the sixth row from the top, that is the row just under the horizontal guide line. The next three rows each show it a little more distinct and the bottom row shows it very distinct as reported by Mr. Kelson and as shown by the sample submitted by him.

"The top four rows of plate 1776 show the imperfection very slightly. Both these plates were made with the same transfer roll, so it is presumed that whatever caused the mark was on that roll and kept getting a little worse, as it was used.

"It will therefore be seen that 50 out of the 100 on plate 1774 and 40 out of 100 on plate 1776 will be found with the mark referred to in varying degrees of intensity."

OHIO VALLEY STAMPS.

(We have received from Chas. E. Drake information that the directors of the Ohio Valley Exposition held a meeting March 1 at which it was voted to ask the P. O. Dept. for a commemorative set of stamps. Harry Smith sends us a clipping from the Cincinnati **Inquirer** from which we make the below extract. F. D. Goodhue has also favored us with a clipping.—Ed.)

Uncle Sam, or rather the Postoffice Department, will be asked by the Directors of the Ohio Valley Exposition to issue a series of postage stamps commemorative of the great exposition in exploitation of the Ohio Valley and its products. It was decided at the meeting of the Board of Directors, held March 1, to take the matter up with the Postoffice Department at once, and it is believed that no trouble will be met in securing the concession.

C. P. S. ANNUAL DINNER.

The annual banquet of the Chicago Philatelic Society was held on the evening of February 26th in the White Room of the Boston Oyster House and though the weather was unfavorable, sixty-two persons were present at the festivities. The feature of the evening was the presence of some of the oldest officers and members of the society, as guests of Mr. Wolsieffer. The names of A. L. Holman, Samuel Leland, W. H. McDonald, L. H. Drury and Geo. Nelson will be remembered, particularly by those who were active in philately, twenty or more years ago. Each of these veterans in a philatelic sense entertained the assembly with recollections that were eagerly attended to by the members of this generation. The remarks of these past-masters of philately touched a responsive chord and all were glad to do honor to the five guests who had so faithfully served the society in its infancy and so intelligently shaped its career.

The program for the evening was a long one and at twelve o'clock when the guests dispersed it had not been completed; many of the local leaders in society work contributed to the pleasure of their hearers with remarks appropriate to the occasion and special forms of entertainment were provided by a few whose abilities had been well proved. Dr. S. J. Caswell, Rockford, Ill., and V. E. Sisson, recently of St. Louis, were particularly happy in their responses. The printed program took the form of a booklet which was enclosed in an albino U. S. envelope of recent issue; and on the face of the albino, the menu was printed. The envelope was attached to a cover in the C. P. S. color, the combination making a striking souvenir. C. T. Rogers, chairman of the committee on banquet particularly emphasized the assistance tendered by H. L. Lindquist in making the evening an enjoyable one. The following is the menu:

Blue Points on Half Shell
Celery Olives
Chicken Gumbo
Filet of Sole Mornay au gratin
Hollandaise Potatoes
Creme de Menthe Punch
Filet Mignon saute a la Stanley
Special Baked Potatoes String Beans
Combination Salad B. O. H.
New York Ice Cream Gold Cake
Roquefort Toasted Crackers
Demi Tasse

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—Geo. L. Toppan wishes us to call attention to the fact that the key plate to the A. P. S. convention group picture as shown in the Quarterly designates Mrs. Toppan as No. 86. Mrs. Toppan, however, was not in the group and we shall be very glad to be informed as to the identity of the lady in question.

—The Lindenberg Medal for the present year has been awarded to the eminent philatelist, M. Pierre Mahé of Paris. In previous years it has been awarded to Messrs. Haas, Legrand, Bacon, Hanciau, Diena, Evans and Castle.

—Clippings have been received from Harry Smith and Walter J. Ossege.

MORRIS ENDORSED BY BUFFALO.

Warren C. Tudbury, secretary of the Buffalo Collectors' Club informs us that at a meeting of the club held Thursday evening, March 3, Charles R. Morris was endorsed for the secretaryship of the American Philatelic Society. A copy of the resolutions adopted has been submitted for publication, but we do not publish the same in view of their probable appearance in Secretary Adair's official department.

The Paul Collection.

With a single exception (the Ayer Collection, also bought by the New England), the largest purchase ever made in the American Stamp World, and one of the largest ever made anywhere.

From Oct. 16th to Feb. 26th, inclusive, we published each week a list of rarities (look them over), stamps cataloguing as a rule from $100 to $5,000 each, and the list is by no means complete, beginning with this number we shall for a few weeks advertise books made up by Countries, these books contain from $500 to $3,000 each, catalogue value, and are of course intended for somewhat advanced collectors, they will be sent to those well known to us, or to those furnishing satisfactory references.

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UNITED STATES.—Mrs. Laura A. Pickett reports having "a 2c carmine of the 1895-99 variety that must be called a shifted die. It has two impressions—the first shows the impression of a part of two stamps with the perforations between; then it was printed over that and evenly centered. The first printing shows very plainly on the back of the stamps."

William F. Palmer sends us a 2c envelope of the current series, in which the left "2" has a white line like a brace between the upper and lower parts of the figure.

Mrs. Laura A. Pickett reports having seen the 1c of 1902, precancelled "Askland," instead of Ashland, Ohio, the surcharge reading down.

We are indebted to Charles A. Townsend, H. W. Boers, Mrs. Laura A. Pickett for the following new precancels:

Ashland, Ohio, 1c and 5c, inverted.
Warren, Pa., 4c and 5c, normal.
Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, 4c, normal and inverted.
Akron, Ohio, 2c, 3c and 5c, normal.
New York, N. Y., 1c, normal; new type.
Cleveland, Ohio, 1c, normal.

Charles A. Townsend writes regarding the Cuyahoga Falls precancels:

"Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, is a town of 2500 people, just six miles north of Akron.

The Silver Lake Park Co. is responsible for these as they send out an enormous lot of advertising matter and I have often wondered why they did not use either a permit or precancelled stamps.

This lake is quite a summer resort, owned exclusively by one family. There are probably 800 acres in the grounds and they can care for a crowd of 20,000 to 25,000 people.

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This is so unusual that the government sent agents there for a week's stay to study conditions, method of feeding and care and published quite an interesting report of it."

Herman B. Joseph sends us a copy of the current 1c post card, in which the right hand point of the triangle in the upper left corner of the stamp is covered by a black spot, evidently an imperfection in the printing.

E. H. Banks writes regarding the so-called secret mark on the current 2c stamp:

"I have a block of 20 (4x5) in which the dot shows on alternate stamps first row, all stamps second row, alternate third row, all fourth row and alternate fifth row. Plate number and position on plate are unknown as the stamps were sold me over the counter at the post office and upon examination of stock on hand no others so marked were found."

CANADA.—The 7c King's Head is now coming in a new shade, and has been shown us by the New England Stamp Co.

Adhesive.
7c olive bistre.

CRETE.—Some new surcharges have been shown us by the New England Stamp Co., the type of the surcharge being that of Scott's Nos. 58 and 59. The 10l stamp is the same as No. 50, the 20l as No. 32, and the 25l as No. 33.

Adhesives.
Surcharged "Ellas" in Greek letters.
10l red; surcharge black.
20l blue green; surcharge red.
25l ultramarine; surcharge red.

GIBRALTAR.—The ½d value has appeared in a green shade, instead of the familiar gray green, and is printed on ordinary multiple paper. A copy has been shown us by the New England Stamp Co.

GREAT BRITAIN.—*Offices in the Levant.*—Three new surcharges on stamps of Great Britain have come to hand, indicating considerable activity among the thrifty post office officials in Turkey. These new stamps, which have the new values in piastres, have been shown us by the New England Stamp Co., the paras being expressed by fractions, have the surcharges in two lines, in black.

Adhesives.
1¼ piastre on 3d violet on yellow.
1¾ pistre on orange.
2½ piastres on 6d violet.

GUATEMALA.—We are also indebted to the C. E. Hussman Stamp Co. and H. Cormack for specimens of the new 6c stamp chronicled in No. 1001.

PARAGUAY.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 1p official, type O18, but printed in deep pink and black like No. 106, and surcharged "Habilitado" and line over the word official like Nos. 130 to 132A, in black.

Provisional Adhesive.
Surcharged "Habilitado" in black.
½ deep pink and black.

RUSSIA.—C. F. Powers has shown us the 2k, Scott's Type A14, in a new printing. The 3k, 4k and 2k are now all in some shade of red.

Adhesive.
2k red.

SALVADOR.—H. W. Legg has shown us the 1c of 1906, surcharged with a large "1909" in red.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—The $5 value has now been issued in the new color scheme, on chalky multiple paper, a copy having been shown us by the New England Stamp Co.

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URUGUAY.—S. B. Whitehead reports an error in the 8c provisional, recently chronicled, the first stamp in each pane of 100 reads "8 contesimos provisorio" instead of "8 centesimos provisorio." As there were 800,000 of these provisionals printed, it follows that there were 8000 of the errors. Mr. Pack says there are other errors in this provisional.

The new set which is being prepared by Waterlow of London, will have no 7c value, the following quantities of the other denominations having been ordered: ½c, 8,000,000; 1c, 4,000,000; 2c, 4,000,000; 5c, 12,000,000; 8c, 2,000,000; 20c, 300,000; 25c, 300,000; 50c, 100,00; 1p, 100,000. There will also be no 2p and 3p stamps in the new set. The contract price is 20.8c per 1000 for large quantities, and 22.3c for quantities below 500,000 stamps.

A treaty is shortly to be signed between Brazil and Uruguay, delimiting the frontier between the two countries, and a 5c stamp will be issued to celebrate the event, which will be in use between the two countries for a limited period.

VENEZUELA.—Mr. Schachne shows us the later card inscribed in lower border "Emission de Octubre de 1908", which is the only change from the 1907 card.

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THE STAMP MARKET.

By SENAX.

British Levant, 1909, a new sensation, used and unused are offered in places at the same price, which fact at once gives a status to used copies.

The set of 1 to 25 lep., Crete, 1908, are offered in one quarter at 2s. Previous sets of corresponding length (older issues) have usually sold for much less.

Both the Shipka Pass and the Jubilee set for Bulgaria, 1907, seem to fetch a long price everywhere.

The set of 10 paras to 2 piastres, Austrian Levant, 1908, a popular set, is offered in one place at 1s used, which seems cheaper than we can sell them in England.

Eightpence for the set of 1 to 50 filler, Hungary unpaids, is also a low price for these uncommon stamps.

Belgium Congo, 1894, 5c blue and 10c brown-red, are worth 4s per used pair in Brussels. The 8c Belgium, 1869, sells at 2s per copy in the country of its origin, which is a much higher figure than it is priced in one of our home catalogues.

One would imagine that used copies of Rhodesia, 1909, should be worth face value at least, but in one place some of the denominations are being offered at slightly less, though in all probability this "dip below the line" will not be permanent.

A parcel of 24,000 mixed Uruguay for £65 is an offer that makes one open one's eyes.

One gulden, Holland, 1898, is now cheaper in the wholesale market.

Used Prussians Officials in sets are readily saleable.

The 75 reis brown, of Portugal, 1905, available now in quantity, is an acceptable stamp for cheap sheets.

The number of people who buy "halfpenny" stamps, and seem to prefer this price to anything higher, is legion, and although it is a business that takes up a woeful amount of time it is decidedly worth attending to. The other day I heard from a "specialist" who seemed to want everything at a halfpenny apiece; I thought it opportune to wish him a *prosperous* New Year.

Yet perhaps the backbone of one's business is the good old-fashioned collector with whom it is a pleasure to trade, who wants all the "medium" stamps in fair condition at a moderate price, and never indulges in a grumble so long as he is fairly treated. He writes chatty letters, asks questions, makes comments, and altogether his letters are a set off against duller correspondence. The risk of investing in ten sets of any sort of stamp is reduced to a minimum if one has ten customers ready to take them off one's hands a few days after the stamps have arrived, and in cases of this sort one can afford to sell at a very low percentage of profit.

The following are popular quotations on the Continent at the moment: German mark values, China Commemoratives, pictorial French Colonies, 10 gulden Holland, 50 pfg Bavaria official, Austrian Offices in the Levant, Mexican high values, recent U. S. A. pictorials, recent Dutch Indies, Spanish Morocco, about seven series of Roumanian pictorials, Servia since 1903, etc.

But behind these there are sorts less accessible, which are only named on occasion, but which usually prove both more readily saleable and more profitable than the kinds that everybody is selling. Beyond doubt there is wisdom in keeping a watchful eye on the out-of-the-way sorts, and taking advantage of every stray offer of these, for one of the secrets of success seems to be to be able to fill a sheet with stamps the buyer is not likely to already possess.—*Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly.*

BOSTON PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

BOSTON, Jan. 18, 1910.

Mr. President and Gentlemen:—

I beg to present the following report of the Secretary's office for the year 1909.

There have been held ten regular and twelve informal meetings of the society, and one meeting of the Governing Board. The attendance at the regular meetings has averaged 38, and for the informal meetings the chairman of the committee which has them in charge will report.

At the beginning of the year we had 184 names on the roll, but there has been a net loss of 8, the total membership of the society now standing at 176, divided as follows:—Honorary 3, Resident 117, Non-resident 56, and four applications pending. It was unfortunately necessary to drop 9 names for non-payment of dues at the last annual meeting, and the resignations of 14 members have been accepted. Honorary membership has been conferred on Mr. Geo. H. Worthington of Cleveland, Ohio, and 14 other members have been elected during 1909.

The Secretary was directed to send out postal card notices of regular meetings to the resident members during the year, and this has been done. The correspondence required of the Secretary has been divided as follows:—

Post card notices,	1048
Other communications,	111
Statutes, etc.,	19
Total,	1178

While the society is doing good work and is outwardly flourishing, yet it must be understood by those who have its best interests at heart, and by those who receive its benefits most directly (the resident membership), that its usefulness and its continuance especially depend upon an active campaign to get new members. A committee was appointed at the last meeting to consider this subject, but the members in general must co-operate if success is to be assured. We have our club room for which we strove for so many years; our library is there, accessible to all, and we expect to receive the Seybold bequest, which will make such a valuable addition to it. But in order to keep our heads above water we must have the membership to support us. In other words, see if you cannot interest and bring in new members; and then remember, also, that by paying your own subscriptions promptly you will greatly aid the society, as well as its officers who have to keep track of these things.

The society has done good work in the past, is now one of the most influential societies extant, and I am sure every member desires to keep it in the forefront of the philatelic world. Let us all put our shoulders to the wheel, then, and give a lift that will be felt during the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,
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Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

CURRENT U. S. PART PERFORATES.

By CHAS. K. B. NEVIN.

A great deal has appeared recently in the philatelic press regarding the stamps of the United States issued in part-perforate form. Much of this information has given a wrong impression or is absolutely inaccurate. The statement that part perforate pairs, such as are issued in strips by the government 21 mm. wide cannot be made by trimming perforated stamps, is entirely contrary to fact, as I have perforated stamps of the current issue which could be trimmed to about 21½ mm. wide. Pairs of the 1c and 2c values with or without the line between, could easily be made 21½ mm. wide from the pages of the books of stamps sold by the government, but in these the watermark would, of course, appear sideways.

Any of the values known imperforate could be made into strips with or without the line between by part perforating the imperforate stamps (and perforating machines are in common use today), so a line of color between the stamps is not sufficient evidence that the pair came from a roll.

Therefore, at the present time, by elimination of the above, the 10c value, in pairs, with the line between, is the only one which must necessarily have come from one of the rolls of stamps as sold by the Government, and such pairs, it seems to me, constitute as distinct varieties as the imperforates, requiring no voucher as evidence that they have not been tampered with, but are just as issued by the Government.

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Stock Fund.

Receipts from H. G. Smith,	$3,354.66
Disbursements, E. T. Wallis,	1.00
W. L. Moore,	1.00
Balance,	$3,352.66

General Fund.

Receipts:	
Interest on Bonds,	$ 50.00
Dues in September,	87.60
Dues in October,	164.00
Dues in November,	63.10
Dues in December,	353.50
Dues in January,	670.68
Dues in February,	239.92
	$1,628.80
Disbursements:	
From H. G. Smith (deficit),	$435.98
Vouchers to date,	844.58
	$1,280.56
Balance,	$348.24

Insurance Fund.

Receipts: From Smith,	$1,411.38
Sales Superintendent,	228.46
	$1,639.84
Disbursements: Vouchers to date,	$334.10
Balance,	$1,305.74

Exchange Fund.

From H. G. Smith,	$45.60
Balance to date,	8.10
	$53.70

Summary of Balances:

Stock Fund,	$3,352.66
General Fund,	348.24
Insurance Fund,	1,305.74
Exchange Fund,	53.70
Credit due Adair,	156.02
	$5,216.36
Resources:	
Bonds,	$2,612.34
Cash,	2,604.02
	$5,216.36

Respectfully submitted,
W. P. WHERRY, Treas.

The Postal Card Society of America.

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Resignations asked for—W. G. Saxton and W. R. Keller.

Subscriptions are forwarded to the official journal for the following members: 156, 37, 146, 144 and 205, for the current year. Let the secretary hear from the remaining members.

S. M. EDWARDS, Sec.

ARGUSVILLE, N. D., Feb. 28, 1910.

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BOSTON, MASS., March 12, 1910.

The 222nd (regular) meeting of the society will be held at the *New Club Room, 322 Tremont Building,* corner of Tremont and Beacon Streets, Boston, on Tuesday evening, March 15th, at 7.30 o'clock.

There will be two exhibitions for this evening, (*a*) A competitive exhibition of fifty (50) or more stamps (*major varieties*) of any country that is *not a colony or dependency.* This eliminates the over-popular British Colonies, and gives a chance to the man who hasn't forgotten that there are other countries which may not be so much in style, but are nevertheless well worth following up. Bring in your collection of that out-of-the-way land that still stands in its own shoes, and for which you have always had an unchangeable liking!

The prizes will be novel—a box of cigars and a box of Huyler's confectionery. In the reckoning, completeness will count 60%, condition 30%, and arrangement 10%.

The other exhibition (*b*) will be the collection of 20th Century stamps that Mr. E. M. Carpenter has made a specialty. It lacks very little of the multitude of new issues that have appeared in the past decade, and unless you have made a specialty of these stamps yourself you will be surprised at the showing. It is a collection of which one may well be proud.

The feature inaugurated a month ago, of having those remaining in town for the meeting gather together for an informal supper, has proved so successful on both the regular and informal meeting nights that its continuance is assured, and we are to be favored with a private room for our accommodation. Over twenty have gathered previously; come and swell the number!

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C. A. HOWES, Secretary.

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5c lilac brown instead of blue, 50c. [9

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141		30c green	.50	.25
143		10c purple	.50	.30
145		4 on 6 rose	.18	.10
147		10 on 2	.25	.12
148		3 on 6	.10	.06
150		5 on 1p	.25	.12
151		20 on 5	.40	.20
152		1c violet	.08	.05
153		2c vermilion	.08	.05
155		10c purple	.20	.10
156		20c brown	.30	.15
157		30c green	.40	.20
158		50c lake	.85	.40
159	1902	5c lith. blue	.06	.04
160		5c carmine	.08	.04
161		10c violet	.10	.05
162		15c on 2c vermilion	.20	.10
163		30 on 1 violet	.40	.15
175	1904	5 on 10 "	.10	.05
176		15 on 10 "	.20	.10
177		15 on 10 "	.50	.15
177a		15 on 10 " inverted	3.50	1.25
178		5 on 10	.25	.10
511	Cabo	20c brown	2.50	.50
512		20c brown	2.50	.50
513		30c green	2.50	.50
514		50c lake	2.50	.60
522		15c on 10	..	1.50
542		15c bistre	..	.30
813	Official	1 on 10	.06	.03
814		2 on 3	.08	.04
816		4 on 10	.10	.05
817		5 on 3	.10	.05
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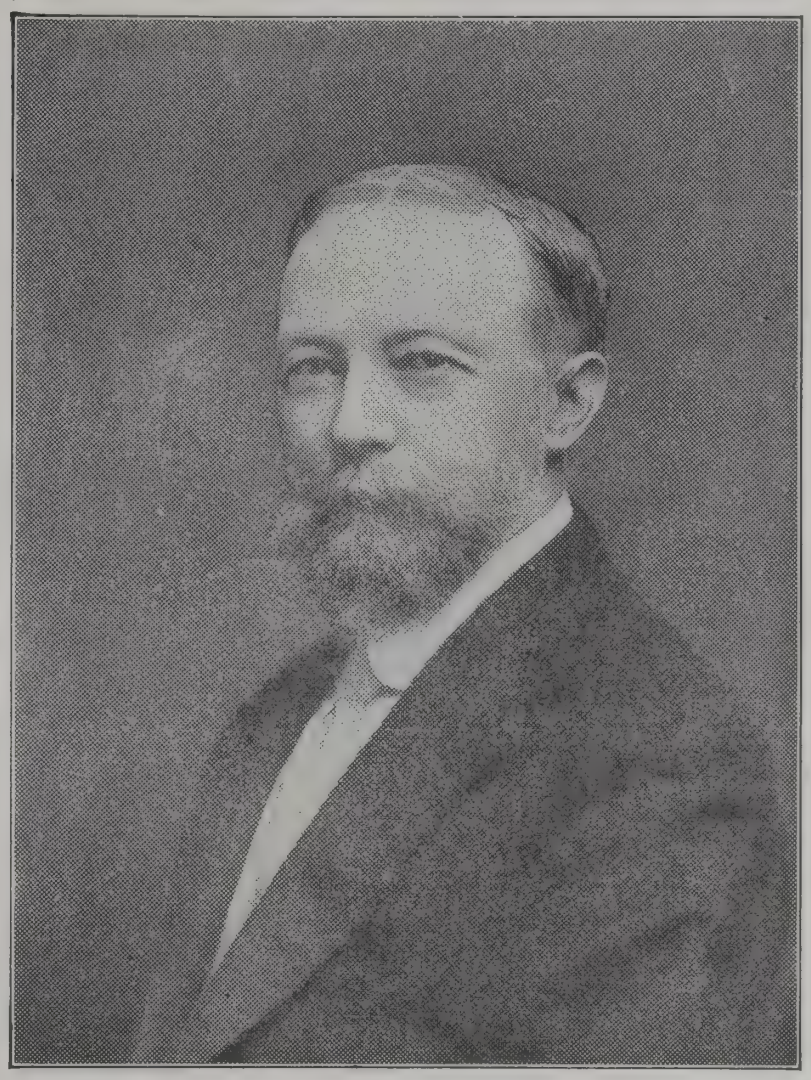

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FOREIGN NOTES AND NEWS.

By L. Harald Kjellstedt.

Death of Anders Neander.—The Philatelic Society of Sweden has again suffered from the loss of one of its foremost members, Anders Neander, Doctor of Divinity, and member of the Royal Order of the North Star, a distinction conferred on him by the King of Sweden. He had also reached the highest degree of Swedish Freemasonry. Doctor Neander was a member of the Swedish Society since 1900 and President of its Branch at Norrköping. He was widely known as an expert on minor varieties and could in most cases, state the genuineness of a stamp without the slightest hesitation. Shortly before his death, which took place Jan. 29, at the age of 65, he had to discontinue his services as editor of the literary review of the *Philatelic Journal of Sweden,* which work he undertook as a successor to the late Mr. Krasemann. Always deeply interested in the active work of the society, he rarely missed one of its meetings.

First German Stamps.—November 1st, 1909, the German philatelists could celebrate the 60th anniversary of the introduction of postage stamps in the German postal service. In connection with this the *Philatelisten-Zeitung* furnishes some interesting data on the manufacture of the first German postage stamps. The Kingdom of Bavaria holds the honor of being the first of the German states which adopted the new method of providing for the prepayment of postage. A royal decree of June 5, 1849 announced that after November 1 the payment of postage on letters addressed to places within the Kingdom of Bavaria could only be paid by means of postage stamps, but that these stamps would not be accepted on correspondence addressed to foreign countries. It was also stated that the two higher values of the series, the 3 and 6 kreuzer, would have a red silk thread running vertically through the paper as a means of recognizing their genuineness. In October, 1849, the preparations for the manufacture of the new stamps had been completed. Contrary to the methods employed by contemporary stamp issuing countries, the typographic process was adopted and the printing was done on half sheets with American printing presses. The daily capacity of one press was 300 half sheets of 180 stamps, or 324,000 stamps per week. The force employed on the work consisted of 2 printers, 1 gummer, 1 book-binder and 2 helpers. The weekly pay-roll for this force totalled the magnificent sum of 25 florins, about $10.00. The cost of the 18,000 half sheets of paper used in a week was 18 florins and 45 kreuzer. The total cost of manufacture for one million postage stamps amounted to 289 florins and 21kr, but this does not include the cost of the plates. The engraver of the 3 dies was paid 40 gulden, about $16.00, for each. The compound used for the gumming of the stamps consisted of 6 pounds pure gum arabic and 1 pound of sugar dissolved in 12 measures of water. The solution was used lukewarm and was spread over the stamp sheets with 6 inch long and 2 in. wide goat hair brushes. After the gumming, the sheets were stretched on wooden frames to dry.

Reprints of Thurn and Taxis.—Exciting rumors of a forthcoming issue of reprints of the old stamp series of Thurn and Taxis, led the International Postage Stamp Dealers' Union to address a communication on the subject to his Highness Prince Albert of Thurn and Taxis. The reply to this communication is printed in the *Philatelisten-Zeitung* and I relate such facts from same as may prove of general interest. In the archives of the House of Thurn and Taxis no full sheets of the postage stamps issued under its authority, had been preserved, and the lack of such was particularly felt at an exhibition which the princely house arranged in Mailand in 1906. In order to avoid a repetition of this embarrassment in the future, the present Prince ordered official reprints to be made from the well preserved original plates, and at a district exhibition, to be held at Oberpfalz early this year, full sheets of these reprints of the 54 Thurn and Taxis varieties, together with the remainders of the later issues, will be placed on exhibtion in the court house. In response to an urgent demand from philatelic sources, a very limited number of entire sheets of the reprints will be made available to the collecting fraternity after the close of the exhibition. It is pointed out that this reprinting is only in line with similar procedures by past and present postal administrations, and is not intended as a business or to encroach in any way on the dealing in stamps. In order to prevent the reprints from being put to fraudulent use it is intended to make them so that they may be easily recognized by anyone, and afterwards the plates will be kept in the Thurn and Taxis archives, inaccessible to anyone desiring further "issues." The communication closes as follows:

"The great interest with which the planning of our intentionally very limited issue of official reprints has been received both here and in foreign countries, seems to indicate that the objections raised by you are not shared in by the great majority of dealers and collectors. All further information in regard to the reprints will appear at the proper time in the daily press."

Activity in Spain.—Philately in Spain has experienced an awakening during the last two or three years. A very successful philatelic convention was recently held at Valencia, followed by an exhibition. From the reports of the latter found in the European press I am inclined to consider the awakening a little rude, or else there must be a great lack of intelligent judges. It is only necessary to relate that the highest prize, the King's prize, was awarded to a lady who had reproduced the coat of arms of Valencia by pasting together 12,000 postage stamps having the picture of Alphonso XIII. The next prizes were given to *philatelists.* In one of the groups, Mr. Bela Szekula received a bronze medal for his "Briefmarken-Verkehr." When it is taken into consideration that the gentleman mentioned is barred from the advertising columns of the leading European journals, the judgment of the judges may certainly be questioned. Besides the royal prize, 4 gold, 21 silver and 13 bronze medals were awarded.

Demonetizing of Early French.—According to *Le Postillon,* the French minister of Posts is seriously considering the advisability of demonetizing all French issues from 1848 to 1875. Up to date France has been the only country which has accepted all its stamps in payment of postage, regardless of date of issue, and it is not likely that the new order, if promulgated, will work any hardship on anybody. Philatelists would be glad to absorb anything the public has to offer in these issues, in mint condition, at prices far exceeding face value.

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THE STAMP MARKET.

By Senax.

A lot of Queen's Heads of Suriname, good middle values, seem suddenly to have come on the market from somewhere, at a price which, if a preliminary trial purchase proves satisfactory, will provoke a "plunge."

The 70 kop. Russia is cheaper, but since the packet does not contain too many good copies, the price of a perfect copy will have to be the same as of old.

Falling prices are interesting, but one has to be a close student of the advertisement columns of many stamp journals in order to keep pace with them. In this sphere "small quantities" is a good watchword. Some traders will abandon a set after it has had a long run and after everybody seems to have secured it, yet the host of coming collectors who have to be catered for should be borne in mind.

The 400, 500 and 1000 reis of Brazil, 1906, are good selling items, now obtainable in quantity.

The 4c Straits of 1908, scarlet, seems worth gathering in quantity—if it can be got.

North Borneo, 1909, postally used, is a very welcome item.

Used copies of the 8- on 10c and 23 on 25c Uruguay are "out," but are not cheap; the first named is perhaps worth 4d.

A collector was heard of the other day who is building up a collection without purchasing any of his specimens, an admirable task, but one that is distinctly not good for trade.

In a certain price list the 50c Columbus of U. S. A. is higher than catalogue, the 15c and 30c being about level.

Chili 1905 is cheaper, as might be expected by this time, but really fine copies proving not too plentiful the price for a perfect specimen will have to remain as of old. The 50c value, from the point of view of a good percentage of fine copies, seems the best denomination to buy; next, perhaps, comes the 20c, then the 30c, then the 15c. Probably the last named couple are good stamps to hold, especially the 30c.

British and British Colonial issues are best collected within the Empire; almost everywhere outside they strike one as being dearer.

Today brings some new prices for used Austrian Levant 1908, which seem to show that the stamps will be available in quantity presently.

U. S. A. Colonial postage dues, which have a good catalogue value in England, may sometimes be had cheaply from advertisers in American stamp journals.

Older issues of postally used South American States usually prove a good possession, and a good hunting ground for them is among the cities of Austria and Germany, where such issues seem to be in demand, this class of stamp being popular in Europe.—*Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly.*

A VALUABLE ADJUNCT.

Probably, readers have noticed the ad of Paul Kohl, Germany, in our columns several times, in which a set of twelve plates of illustrations of United States envelope dies from 1853 to the present issue was offered. We have received a set of these plates for review and we say unreservedly that these superb illustrations of die differences will have a stimulating effect on U. S. envelope collecting so soon as the merits of the plates become known. Each illustration is numbered. The consecutive die numbers coincide with the works of Tiffany, Bogert and Rechert; the U. S. envelope section of the Catalogue for Advanced Collectors; and Bartels' Envelope Catalogue. In the case of the Nesbitt issues, the die varieties are listed in accordance with Mr. Berthold's work on the subject published by the Scott Stamp and Coin Company; vide "The Die Varieties of U. S. Envelopes." It is understood that the numbers will agree also with those of the forthcoming edition of Bartels' Envelope Catalogue. The designations of the later dies, such as Die A, Die B2, etc., follow those of the Scott catalogue. So, confusion in the use of these illustrations is practically eliminated. No fewer than 291 different dies are shown and completion is gained by including several dies as they are regarded of the present issue that are not listed as yet.

The fact cannot be disguised that the collecting of U. S. envelopes is retarded by the difficulty of describing and understanding the many differences that exist in the stamps, when text is the vehicle. Many years ago, Major Evans was instrumental, we believe, in having prepared a plate of the illustrations of all the different dies up to that time,—the late 80's or so. The Kohl set is complete and the illustrations stand forth to the minutest detail. The plates are art productions and the price asked for them seems really low. The set will prove an ornament to any library and the utility of the plates need not be emphasized. A wonderful stimulus to collecting U. S. envelopes will result if these plates attain the circulation that they so richly deserve.

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SWISS JUBILEE ISSUE 1900.

The hasty preparation of the first printings left its traces not only in the actual printing but also in the perforation. Some days before the commencement of the Congress the printer delivered the first parcels. The perforation in the offices of the mint should have quickly followed, but it appeared that the contractor for the printing plates had wrongly estimated the size of the plates so that there was not one of the Ries machines suitable for that size. Luckily an old discarded Ries machine was discovered, by help of which the perforating could be performed in case of need. The sheets, however, had to be passed through twice, once for the horizontal rows and again for the vertical rows. The perforation extended right across the margin of the sheets and is especially recognisable where it crosses the corners of the stamps. For later deliveries of the stamps from the printer there was time to manufacture a special Ries machine with which the whole sheet could be perforated at once. This was used also for the re-engraved stamps.

The stamps were in use from 2nd July to 31st December, 1900, in which time the following quantities, in round numbers, were issued:

5 cts.	21,000,000
10 cts.	17,000,000
25 cts.	6,000,000

The so-called re-engraved stamps are included in these figures. The quantities of the latter are in round figures:

5 cts.	5,400,000
10 cts.	1,900,000
25 cts.	4,200

and of the last value, when no longer available, 350 were destroyed. In all, ordinary and re-engraved together, there were destroyed about:—

5 cts.	200,000
10 cts.	300,000
25 cts.	250,000

The Postal authorities still possess some remainders of the ordinary and re-engraved types, which are reserved for the archives and are definitely lost for the purpose of the private collector. At this point it must be remarked that the expression "re-engraved" for the latest editions is incorrect and does not correspond to fact. All, including the plates last in use, originate from the same original die and the same plates in relief, but the later galvanos are considerably harder, sharper, and more deeply cut, while there was sufficient time for more careful printing.—M. Zumstein in *Philatelic Record.*

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1351	1864, 6c pink on white	24x28	**1.00**	**.20**
1353	" 6c pink on buff	25x28	**1.00**	**.20**
1394	1870, 30c black on cream	30x34	7.50	2.75
1412	1874, 12c plum on white	31x34	4.00	1.75
1414	" 24c purple on white	31x38	7.50	3.00
1460	" 30c black on cream	29x30	12.00	**4.00**
1481	1875, 5c blue on fawn	27x32	10.00	2.
1525	1886, 5c brown on o. buff	33x36	6.00	2.25
1538	" 30c black on manila	34x35	1.50	.60
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EDITORIAL.

Speaking Further—The remarks made on the subject of condition of early United States stamps in the issue of two weeks ago have inspired several of our readers to take their pens in hand and address us approvingly. The difficulty in finding perfection in used copies particularly of the perforated issues, 1857 to 1869, inclusive, was admitted by each of the correspondents. One was skeptical; he said he never saw perfection in used United States stamps of some of the issues and did not believe that this ideal state existed. Another said that he was fortunate in picking up specimens that would come under a classification that would suit the most fastidious but thought that he had been favored by chance. While it is to be argued that the question of condition is a relative one yet it must be affirmed that absolute perfection in used stamps of the issues of the United States under notice means much. Here is an analysis: Take for instance, the twenty-four cent red lilac of 1861. No perforations must touch the design and in this stamp, this is equivalent to saying perfect centering. The color is to be strong and typical and unblemished by stain or gum spot. The fiber of the paper must not be noticeably disturbed, either front or back, and what seems almost too much to ask, the single perforation at or nearest each corner must be intact and unrounded; the other perforations must be full and free, of course. The cancellation must not be disfiguring; and while there is some latitude allowed in this regard, the marking must be clean and in accord with the suggestions of the stamp. A specimen of this kind is one of a hundred and is beyond all catalogue price; and no doubt, those who have to do with the creating of quotations in the large lists would be the first to confirm this observation. Many of the stamps that were in old collections show fiber disturbance of the paper on the backs of the stamps. Specimens exposed to light will fade. The corner perforation is frail and fragile and is easily lost in handling. Even-centering is the exception and cancellations were applied in a liberal way. Yet, the perfect used copy of the most intractable U. S. stamp does exist and any owner has good reason to felicitate himself upon its possession.

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Is It New?—An interesting cover has been examined that proves the existence of the regulation "Patent Lines" on envelopes that are not governmentally stamped. At least a few of the envelopes, it is fair to argue from the existence of the cover under notice, were sold by the envelope makers to the public. This unstamped envelope with patent lines is the knife 5, full letter size 3. The diagonally laid paper is the same as that of the government stamped envelope but the watermark is missing. The words: "Pat. Nov. 20, 1855." and the three heavy ruled lines that showed through the face of the envelope to serve as a guide in writing the name and address are on the left flap as on the regular government stamped envelopes. It was thought that the government monopolized the patent-line innovation in the form that has just been specified and that the contractors, Nesbitt & Co., of the first four issues, 1853 to 1870, were enjoined from using the patented lines on any envelopes save those intended for the government in stamped condition. If the patented envelope without stamped impression bore the regulation watermark, the explanation would be that the envelope was one that escaped stamping. The envelope was used in Tuscaloosa, Ala., and bears a pair of local print, small five-cent Confederate, 1862, and is postmarked Jan. 12 (1863?); it may be unnecessary to add that care was taken to see that the two adhesive stamps did not cover any stamped envelope impression. It is possible that the patent line unstamped envelope such as has been described is known to others, though new to us; we can find no recorded information on the subject.

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Lucky Thirteen—The statistics relative to the number of sheets of the higher values of the current issue on experimental paper have made a lasting impression on the mind of John E. Lord of Chicago for he has discovered the thirteen-cent on the much-discussed special paper. While traveling about the country on his accustomed business, Mr. Lord has been buying supplies of the current type thirteen-cent stamp, with no thought of looking for the experimental paper variety. At one office he got a quantity of the ordinary stamps and as he was leaving, he saw a "shade" and hurriedly tore off ten of the stamps from the sheet, with the clerk's permission. Some time later, when Mr. Lord examined the ten stamps, which were in two horizontal rows of five each, he found that they were on experimental paper. Mr. Lord was not slow in making a second trip to the scene of his good fortune but after due inquiry, it was discovered that the remaining stamps on the sheet had all been sold and parceled out over the counter, singly as a rule. Mr. Lord's friends rejoice with him; and we say that it is preferable that collectors be the favored children of philately. They put money into it and it is rightful that they get something out of it. At present it is idle to speculate upon the value of this thirteen but Mr. Lord was induced to sell one block of four of the stamps at a good price; he will retain the six stamps left, he says.

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Says He—The following simile was used by one of the managers of the Millinery Show, held recently at Chicago, in explaining why he discouraged the admission of children to the exhibition: "There are a lot of kids who go to these shows and collect advertising pamphlets on all subjects just as other kids collect postage stamps. They use up half the supply and the exhibitor gets absolutely no results from it." Thus does the public knowledge of philately increase until the pursuit furnishes a subject for simile or the means of polishing off a parable.

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Many, Many Thanks—It is a pleasant duty to acknowledge the receipt of congratulations from readers and from many of our contemporaries upon the issue of our one thousandth number. Not alone did cheering and cordial words come from friends in this country but from other countries as well, there was no dearth of congratulatory messages. It is no small privilege to be the recipient of such attention even though it may be granted only once each thousand weeks. Of all the words of courtesy or commendation that have been recorded none have been more generous or genial than the notice of our amiable rival, *Redfield's*, and in particular, our hearty thanks are tendered to the paper named.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Wm. C. Stone submits the following clipping from the *N. Y. Tribune* of Mar. 8, informing us of the death of an old-time subscriber to the WEEKLY: "Dr. Mathias Cook, one of the oldest practising physicians in Utica, N. Y., was found dead in his bed yesterday. Dr. Cook was a surgeon in the Civil War, and also served in the same capacity in the Franco-Prussian War. He was formerly a well known collector of stamps, and his collection had frequently been exhibited in large cities. It was sold a few years ago to a resident of New York City."

—Clippings have been received with thanks from W. H. Bruce, Arthur Oehler and Frank V. Jones.

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1904, 2c brown, Stanley Gibbons No. 88, unused, mint	$25.00	$12.50
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* " 5 on 1p	.50	.16
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15	Omaha $1, used	1.50
16	Pan American 2c, 5c, 8c, unused	.41
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64	" 3d rose, No. 60, unused	1.50
65	" ½d wrapper, with autograph of Fred Welsh, Champion Light Weight Boxer	?
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UNITED STATES.—Edw. Lifka reports having found the current 2c due stamp, precancelled "Buffalo, N. Y."

Robert G. Staede reports having seen the current 2c due stamp precancelled "Minneapolis, Minn.," with the surcharge inverted.

Cecil W. King reports finding the 2c Lincoln with inverted watermarks. Mr. King also calls attention to the fact that the watermarks are more easily found in the stamps now being issued by the Post Office Department than was formerly the case.

Harold Golden reports the current 2c and 4c stamps, precancelled "Vancouver, Wash.," both normal.

C. H. Williams reports having found the special delivery stamp, No. 895, which measures 35x21¼ mm., the usual size being 36x36x20¾ mm.

Leroy H. Brooks reports having seen the current 10c stamp precancelled "Norwich, N. Y.," in an octagon frame, on a cover, with a 5c of 1902, with the same precancellation.

Cleveland Bundlie reports having found the current 2c stamp, with a break in the white circle around Washington's head, the break being to the left, opposite the mouth.

Charles M. Breder sends us a part of a cover, two one cent stamps having been used to cover the legend on the envelope, which plainly said "Pay no postage," in a heavy black frame.

ARGENTINE.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 24c and 1p values of the current series, which had been previously chronicled on the authority of our foreign contemporaries.

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CANADA.—J. S. Robertson informs us that the 7c in the new dark shade is from Plate No. 2. They were used several months ago on letters mailed at London and Chatham, Ontario.

CANAL ZONE.—William Evans writes: "In No. 1001, Mr. Focke reports the new 2c with both local and New York surcharges and Mr. Wagner says the 10c exists with New York surcharge. The 2c, 5c, 8c and 10c of this set were issued in the early part of 1909 with local surcharge reading down.

"On Nov. 8, the 1c, 2c, 5c and 10c were issued with New York surcharge; i. e., small type reading up, and I am sure these have been mentioned in WEEKLY. The 8c has not as yet been put on sale, nor has the 13c which is a new value.

"Reliable information from the Zone states that a two years' supply of all values with New York surcharge is on hand, so that is probably to be regarded as the permanent one. It is probable that the supply of the local surcharge on hand will be used up in the regular course of business.

"It is certain that the 1c and 5c of the New York surcharge have been issued and are being sold as I have them both on cover and in blocks."

Cecil W. King reports having the 10c, with surcharge reading down.

DUTCH INDIES.—The 10c surcharged "Java," is reported to have been found with an error, the final "A" having been omitted.

GERMANY.—*Offices in the Levant.*—The German card with only the stamp and "Postkarte" on the front side is reported by Mr. Schachne with the current overprint for the Levant.

Post Card.

20 para on 10 pfen. carmine on buff.

GIBRALTAR.—*Gibbons Weekly* chronicles the 2d and 1sh stamps in the new colors.

The Paul Collection.

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Austria Levant 1908, 10 piastres green on yellow (No. 1053), very fine used copy, catal. price 85c, only ..... .48
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Adhesives.

2d gray.
1sh black on green.

ENGLISH COLONIES.—The *Colonial Office Journal* says that, in view of the fact that a number of Colonies whose stamps are produced from line-engraved plates have decided to adopt the Crown Agents color scheme, a supplementary table of colors specially applicable to line-engraved stamps has been formulated of which particulars are given below. The employment of two color printing entering largely into the former schedule it was of course impossible for it to be followed out in stamps printed by the copper-plate process on account of its involving the dampening of the paper.

The following is the color standard which has been adopted in this instance:

Value.	Color of Ink.	Color of Paper.
3d	Brown.	Yellow.
4d	Red.	Yellow.
4½d	Orange.	White.
5d	Sage-green.	White.
2sh	Purple.	Blue.
2sh 6d	Red.	Blue.
3sh	Violet	White.
5sh	Green.	Yellow.
10sh	Red.	Green.
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Fine Stamps at Half Catalogue, some less. Exchange adv. of Jan. 22d still good. A.H.YOUNG, Box 1325, New Haven, Conn. [03-05-07*

One large packet free to applicants for my 50% disct. approval sheets; must have refs. EMIL ORNSTEIN, 545 S. Jackson St., Louisville, Ky. [X

St. Lucia 1d, No. 28, unused, .50
Tell me what you want on approval. *
C. D. PIPER, Wolfeboro, N. H.

Jamaica stamps desired with Cayman Islands postmarks. Single stamps, on covers or on piece. Will pay highest cash prices or give valuable exchange. C. B. BOSTWICK, 30 Church St., New York City. *

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Typewriter, Blickensderfer No. 7, cost $50.00, almost new. Want to trade for collection of U.S. Postage and Revenues. Write me. H. H. EVESLAGE, Jr., Ripley, Ohio.

3c Playing Card, a beautiful copy, cat. $6.00, only $2.10. Louis Bohn, Crafton Sta., Pittsburg, Pa.

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HONDURAS.—E. B. Cookson shows a piece of cover, having one of the current 10c stamps, and also a diagonal half of another stamp of the same denomination, making evidently the required 15c postage.

HONG KONG.—*The Postage Stamp* reports the $2 King's Head stamp in a new printing. The new issue is on chalky multiple paper.

Adhesive.
$2 black and carmine.

ITALY.—*Offices in Tripoli.*—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 10 values of the current Italian stamps, surcharged "Tripoli—di Barberia," in two lines in black, near the bottom of the stamps.

Adhesives.
1c brown.
2c orange brown.
5c green.
10c rose.
15c slate.
25c blue.
40c brown.
50c violet.
1 lira brown and green.
5 lira blue and rose.

NORTHERN NIGERIA.—The 1d in a single color has at last appeared, and is reported by Thos. E. C. Hunter. It is on multiple paper.

Adhesive.
1d carmine.

PARAGUAY.—We trust our readers will not be misled by the error in No. 1002. Perhaps it is needless to say that stamp meant was the "1 peso" deep pink and black.

SIERRA LEONE.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 1½d stamp, printed in a single color according to the new color scheme, on ordinary multiple paper.

Adhesive.
1½d orange.

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Trade Column rate 20c per line.

Tenn. State Rev., 3 var. unused, 10c postfree L. L. BATCHELDER, Cleveland, Tenn. [eow-03

105 China, etc., list, stp. dictionary, 2c. 1910 Cat., 12c. Agts. 50%. Bullard, Sta. A, Boston. [tf*

Best approvals. Ref. We have The stock. 20 page cat. H. Collins, 127 Sherman, Detroit, Mich. [tf*

Wanted "Mexico" cat. (Scott 1900), also early Mexicans. Barron, 45 Parliament St., London, Eng. [04

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1910

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TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1909.

Receipts.

Cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1909,		$205.46
Received from		
59 mem. dues @ $2.00,	$118.00	
100 mem. dues @ 3.00,	300.00	
7 mem. dues @ 4.00,	28.00	
3 mem. dues @ 2.50,	7.50	
1 mem. dues @ 1.50,	1.50	
2 mem. dues @ 1.00,	2.00	
		$457.00
W. O. Wylie, use of room,		3.00
P. C. Kimball, Supt. of Sales,		4.98
Interest, Suffolk Savings Bank,		3.59
		$674.03

Expenditures.

For Library Committee,	$ 25.00
Rent and light, B. Wolff,	264.00
Care of room,	16.25
Treasurer's expenses,	10.36
Secretary's expenses,	10.50
Expense of monthly notices,	14.80
Fire insurance on books, etc.,	7.25
Subscription *Korr-Blatt*,	3.00
MEKEEL'S WEEKLY, official organ,	61.76
London Philatelic Literature Society,	5.24
Holland Ex. medal,	4.00
Educational Committee,	10.00
A. Yaremdji, Insurance Fund, (stamps lost in mail),	5.24
Entertainment Comm. prizes and express,	24.25
February meeting,	23.75
Folders, Entertainment Com.	15.00
Balance on hand, Dec. 31, 1909,	173.63
	$674.03

Respectfully submitted,
J. B. B. SMITH, Treas.

SALES DEPT. REPORT.

Rec'd from J. H. Lyons, Jan. 20, 12 books, value,	$ 278.61
Rec'd from members during year, 101 books, value,	1,813.17
Total 113 books, value,	$2,091.78
Retired during year, 62 books, value,	994.10
On hand, Jan. 1, 1910, 51 books, value,	$1,097.68

Sales from 62 books retired, valued at $994.10, were $244.10.

Paid J. B. B. Smith, Treas., insurance on same, $4.98.

Respectfully submitted,
PETER C. KIMBALL, Supt. of Sales.

ENTERTAINMENT COM. (INFORMAL.)

BOSTON, Jan. 18, 1910.

Gentlemen:—The Entertainment Committee for the Informal Meetings beg leave to report an average attendance of 25 from the March to the December meetings. Several small competitions have been held that were somewhat entertaining and for which small but suitable prizes were awarded. The auction sales seem to be the most popular feature and we hope they will be continued. The principal bother will be to get the material to use.

Respectfully submitted,
I. W. RISDON,
EDWIN F. SAWYER,
JOHN INGRAHAM.

LIBRARY COM.

Annual Report for 1909.

There have been added to the library during the past year,

Books and pamphlets,	71
Priced auction catalogs, donated,	24
Odd numbers of magazines to fill out volumes, donated,	80
Number of current magazines received from publishers by donation,	286
Same, but by subscription,	142
Purchased to fill out volumes,	153
Unpriced catalogs, donated,	5
Total number of pieces received by the Com. during year,	761

Our receipts and expenditures have been as follows:

Receipts.

Balance from 1908,	$ 3.60
Appropriation,	25.00
Donations from members,	11.40
From sale of duplicates,	1.00
	$41.00

Expenses.

Subscriptions to magazines,	$ 3.16
Books,	18.66
Framing,	.35
Weiss binder and rods,	.55
Library cards,	.15
Two sections bookcase,	6.00
Postage,	.60
Balance,	11.53
	$41.00

Donations of stamps have been received from Mr. F. Hutchins and Mr. C. F. Rothfuchs.

Respectfully submitted,
C. K. B. NEVIN,
C. A. HOWES,

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Scarlet	.15	.60
Pale scarlet red	10	.40
Red	.10	.40
Red, imperforate	.15	.60
Carmine red	.04	.15
Pale carmine	.06	.25
Carmine	.04	.15
Carmine, imperforate	.05	.20
Bright carmine lake	.10	.40
Carmine lake	.06	.25
Carmine lake, imperforate	.10	.40
Deep carmine lake	.06	.25
Pale carmine red	.06	.25
Bright lake red	.05	.20
Lake red	.08	.35
Deep lake red	.12	.50
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546 1c Post Office	.25	.09
548 2c "	.08	.03
549 6c "	.25	.09
572 2c Treasury	.50	.18
581 90c "	.60	.18
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" 1909, Prov., 3 on 26c* .30
" 1908, Post. Due, 1,2,3,5,10c, all mint, set 5 .20
" 1909, " surch. hor., 1,2,3,5,10c, mint .20
" 1910, 1c blue and brown, mint .02

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AMERICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY—*Continued from Page 108.*

3543. Vick, Edw. C., from New York to 205 Elmwood Ave., Newark, N. J.

2078. Wolff, J. L., from Sycamore St. to 717 Maryland Ave., Milwaukee, Wis.

3495. Rice, Geo. W., from Helen Ave. to 486 Seyburn Ave., Detroit, Mich.

3649. Berolzheimer, D. D., from N. Y. City to 130 S. Broadway, Yonkers, N. Y.

DEATH REPORTED.

167. Lazarus, Paul, Brooklyn, N. Y. Reported by C. Witt.

CORRECTION.

It was a hard matter for the Secretary to identify many of the individuals in the Convention group and at least one error has occurred. Mrs. Geo. L. Toppan was not in the picture, the lady labeled as Mrs. Toppan being Mrs. John T. Hazeltine of Philadelphia. Should there be any further corrections the Secretary would be glad to receive them.

In the text of the Convention report there is a correction to be made. Immediately following the result of the proxy vote on official organ the speech of Mr. Chas. E. Severn should read as follows:

Mr. Severn—I wish to express my appreciation of the courteous action of Mr. Quackenbush and I hope the mistakes of the past will be remedied. I assure you we have learned a lesson, and in the name of the WEEKLY I thank you very heartily. (Applause.)

This mistake in the transcript was the fault of the stenographer and was not any desire to curb the publicity given to the WEEKLY.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY.

Total membership Feb. 26, 1910,		1886
New stockholders,		10
Total,		1896
Resignations accepted,	7	
By death,	1	
		— 8
Total membership Mar. 19, 1910,		1888

The Quarterly is now out and I trust that it has reached every member safely. The delay has been great, and the first number will be followed immediately by the second number. It is only fair that the Secretary take upon his shoulders the entire blame for this delay and absolve from censure such other officials as may have come within the radius of suspicion in that regard. Most of this was due to his enforced removal to the South, and his early return to this city, throwing his personal as well as society affairs into confusion. Sickness has in a measure contributed to the general disorder coupled with that of complications in the office of issue. Throughout it all there has been a tendency on the part of many to rush in, with no doubt deserved admonition and sarcasm as to the official conduct of the Secretary's office, but at the same time without a true understanding of the obstacles necessary to be overcome. The Secretary does not take umbrage at this for he realizes that there have no doubt been many bitter disappointments to some of the members during the last few months in justice to those members he must feel that they had a right, and a good one for their action in the matter. In justice to himself, let it be said, that if the Secretary could have transferred this office to some person competent to fulfill the duties, without causing added confusion and complications, it would have gladly been done for he has the welfare of the society at heart and could not wish to jeopardise the future of our grand old society. The causes for these delays being now removed the Secretary is intent upon getting the work back to its normal place and is using every endeavor to accomplish that end. It is hoped that everything will be in normal running order very shortly and that there will be no further criticism without further sufficient knowledge of circumstances. There is one matter that will require a little patience on the part of the new members. Our supply of stock certificates have become exhausted and while a new supply is being manufactured (it takes about 30 days) the Secretary asks that patience be used as he will see that every member receives his just dues to which he is entitled. In closing this brief statement of past conditions, the Secretary desires to thank those members that have endeavored to be of assistance to him in his time of need, and to call the attention of others to the fact that sometimes there exists conditions over which we have no ultimate control. From now on the Secretary is *on the job.*

H. S. ADAIR, Sec.

MONTHLY INTERIM REPORT SALES DEPT.

March 1, 1910.

We beg to submit the following interim report for the month of February, 1910:

2494 books in circulation Feb. 1, 1910, priced at	$50,520.17
315 books received in Feb., priced at	5,088.12
2809 books in circulation Mar. 1, priced at	$55,608.29

The sales for the month were $825.25, which is quite an increase over the previous month. In response to our request for newly filled books, we are glad to state that 315, priced at $5,088.12, came in during February. The character of the stamps and the arrangement of same in the books have been better, and the sales are therefore much more satisfactory.

Branch managers are continuing their activity, and thus far during our fiscal year results have been as follows:

(1) J. W. Haseltine, Philadelphia, Pa.,	$840.85
(2) Chas. R. Morris, Washington, D.C.,	421.69
(3) Don R. Bennett, Detroit, Mich.,	400.68
(4) L. A. Van Toor, Milwaukee, Wis.,	269.53
(5) John F. Rust & H. C. Crowell,	232.57
(6) W. C. Emery, Springfield, Mass.,	124.57
(7) A. W. Dunning & J. H. Lyons,	83.34
(8) Ross O'Shaughnessy, San Francisco, Calif.,	66.45
(9) George W. Linn, Columbus, O.,	64.84
(10) W. O. Staab, Milwaukee, Wis.,	52.22
(11) T. C. Mann, St. Louis, Mo.,	49.94
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COLUMBUS BRANCH No. 21.

The 78th meeting, held March 8th, at the rooms of the club, was called to order at 8 p. m. by President Mason. Fifteen members and two visitors were present. The minutes of the 77th meeting were read and approved. Bills for expressage on A. P. S. circuits, amounting to $1.10, were approved and ordered paid.

The nominations for directors of the American Philatelic Society made by Cleveland Branch, No. 30, were unanimously endorsed.

The usual prize drawings were held and a number of desirable stamps awarded as prizes. Mr. Henry Maetzel displayed a fine collection of Spanish stamps and also a part of his general collection of 19th Century stamps. The collection was particularly strong in the stamps of the German states, Portugal and Colonies and Uruguay and the display was thoroughly enjoyed.

Next meeting, March 22nd.

GEO. K. SMITH, JR., Sec.

BUFFALO COLLECTORS' CLUB, BRANCH No. 37.

The third regular meeting was held February 17th at 550 Ellicott Sq. Mr. Edgar Nelton lectured on "Original Covers" and exhibited his collection of covers. Nine members and five visitors were present. The next meeting will be held on Thursday evening, March 3rd.

WARREN C. TUDBURY, Sec.

BUFFALO COLLECTORS' CLUB, BRANCH No. 37.

The fourth regular meeting of the Buffalo Collectors' Club was held on Thursday evening, March 3rd at 550 Ellicott Square with seven members and four visitors present. President Griffith called the meeting to order at 8.30 p. m. Mr. E. D. Ingraham was elected a member of the club.

Mr. George B. Graham then presented the following resolution:

"Whereas, H. S. Adair, the present Secretary of the American Philatelic Society, has determined not to a candidate for re-election.

"Whereas, Charles R. Morris of Washington, D. C., has been mentioned as a possible candidate for that office, and

"Whereas, said Charles R. Morris is well and favorably known to the members of the Buffalo Collectors' Club, Branch No. 37, through his writings and business dealings, be it,

"Resolved that it is the sense of the Buffalo Collectors' Club, No. 37, that he be endorsed for the office of Secretary of the American Philatelic Society."

Motion was made and seconded that the resolution be adopted and that a copy of it be sent to the editor of MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS and another to Mr. Morris. A ballot was taken and the resolution as read was unanimously approved. Motion was also made and carried that another Auction Sale be held at the next meeting of the Branch and that Mr. Irving F. Buckminster act as auctioneer. Meeting adjourned at 11.30 p. m.

The next meeting will be held Thursday evening, March 17, at 550 Ellicott Sq.

WARREN C. TUDBURY, Sec.

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The 34th regular meeting was held at 813 Old South Bldg., on Wed., Mar. 9, 1910; 7 members present. Meeting called to order at 8.45 p. m., Pres. E. F. Sawyer presiding. C. K. B. Nevin, Sales Supt., reported a good number of stamps and env. being sold and one circuit retired. Several communications read and acted upon, and one relative to the "official journal" was discussed and finally laid on the table till next meeting. Report of the loss of two members, No. 37 and No. 42, by death. The resignation of four members, Nos. 29, 33, 45, 61, by letter, was read and accepted with regrets. Mr. Fowle and C. H. Stone entertained the members present with their usual interesting remarks relative to "stamp collections" and "envelopes" that were *bought* by them *"and others"* for a song.

Meeting adjourned at 10.30 p. m.

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514		50c lake	2.50	.60
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Jan. 7, received from Sec.,	5.50
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May 25, paid Mekeel's bill,	$22.19
July 7, paid Sec.'s expense,	4.23
" coll. on check,	.10
Sept. 14, paid printing 250 applications,	1.50
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Mar. 8, paid Sec.'s expense,	1.68
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Bell, Sidney C., Box 372, Leominster, Mass.; age 31; Bookkeeper. References: New England Stamp Co.; Leominster National Bank. Proposed by I. C. Greene, No. 2676.

Zumstein, Ernst, Neuengasse 39, Berne, Switzerland; age 30; Stamp Dealer. References: Stanley Gibbons, London; Willadt, Pforzheim; Champion, Paris. Proposed by G. C. Cuenod, No. 1266.

Packard, L. J., 253 Rosemont Ave., Pasadena, Cal.; age 36; Plumber. References: S. F. Johnson; Albert Mercer. Proposed by W. M. Artman, No. 3201.

Evans, Harry S., 1115 Broadway, Kansas City, Mo.; age 28; Laundryman. Reference: Security National Bank. Proposed by Chas. C. Scott, No. 3466.

Wehe, Carl E., 515 West St., Topeka, Kansas; age 17; Mach. App. References: A. Bunker, P. M. Station C; N. G. Edelblute. Proposed by W. O. Wylie.

Baker, B. D., 1012 Lafayette Ave., Mattoon, Ill.; age 30; Machinist. References: Chas. L. Kern, 1508 Charleston Ave.; State Savings Bank. Proposed by H. S. Adair, No. 2447.

McLenegan, Chas. E., 219 34th St., Milwaukee, Wis.; age 50; Teacher. References: National Exchange Bank; Godfrey W. Angustyn. Proposed by J. M. Maloney, No. 2662.

Edwards, Brice, Jr., 700 Washington St., St. Charles, Mo.; age not legal; Student. References: Union Savings Bank; Central Bank. Proposed by Kaemmerlen, No. 2278. Guaranteed by Mr. Kaemmerlen.

Jacobs, A. B., 1601 Polk St., San Francisco, Cal.; age 34; Chemist. Reference: Coffin, Reddington & Co. Proposed by Ross O'Shaughnessy, No. 1576.

Taite, Harry L., care Sawyer Belting Co., Cleveland, Ohio; age 28; Salesman. Reference: R. H. Beatty, A. P. S. No. 3171. Proposed by H. C. Crowell, No. 1570.

Reymann, Otto C., 5525 Ellsworth Ave., Pittsburg, Pa.; age legal; M. E. Reference: H. C. Crowell, A. P. S. No. 1570. Proposed by Alvin Good, No. 2054.

Lehmann, Carl W., 763 E. 93rd St., Cleveland, Ohio; age 48; Foreman. Reference: H. C. Crowell, A. P. S. No. 1570. Proposed by R. H. Beatty, No. 3171.

Mack, James, 3262 E. 55th St., Cleveland, Ohio; age 27; Manager. Reference: W. H. Barnum, A. P. S. No. 1566. Proposed by R. H. Beatty, No. 3171.

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3744. Mason, Albert C., Franklin, Mass.
3745. Flood, Donald, Waterville, Me.
3746. Storer, F. F., Bedford, Ind.
3747. Macri, Alfred, New York, N. Y.
3748. Clark, Bates E., Kalamazoo, Mich.
3749. Leonhardt, Franklin C. S., Philadelphia, Pa.
3750. Dewey, Chas. T., Buffalo, N. Y.
3751. Smith, Thorn, Detroit, Mich.
3752. James, F. F., Corning, N. Y.

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3018. Rhodes, Jas. M., Jr., Philadelphia, Pa.
2818. Kolesa, Edw. M., Norwood, Ohio.
2823. Schuster, E. J., St. Louis, Mo.
3399. Hull, John W., Ottumwa, Iowa.
2358. Hoffmann, Karl, Milwaukee, Wis.
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1900	" " 1p on 1d, Boer War	4.00
*1889	Curacao Post. Due, 40c, No. 9	.15
*1889	" " 50c	.19
*1893	Diego Suarez 75c and 1fc	.45
1895	U. S. A. Post. Due, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 30 and 50c carmine	.40
*1886-00	Faridkot Service 1rup carmine and green	5.00
*1894-95	Fernando Po 20c blue	.40
*1879-80	Fiji 5sh black and rose	1.30
1877-80	France 5fcs dark violet	.11
1898-00	" 2fcs brown on azure	.06
*1905	Grenada 10sh green and lilac	5.80
*1891	Guadeloupe 1fc bronze	.70
*1903	Hong Kong 8c violet and black	.08
*1903	" 12c brown and green	.10
1903	" $1 olive and violet	.40
*1888	Br. Honduras 20c on 6d yellow	.60
1888	" 10c on 4d violet	.15
*1900	Br. Honduras 50c on 1sh	$4.00
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*1904-05	Lagos 1sh, 2sh 6d, 5sh and 10sh	6.80
*1903-05	Br. Morocco Agencies, 20c gr'n and carmine	.16
1907	Montenegro 2k green	.35
1907	" 5k red brown	.95
*1904-05	Natal 2sh violet and green	.80
1904	South Nigeria 10sh yellow & black	3.60
*1902	Northern Nigeria 1sh gr'n & bl'k	.40
*1907	Br. New Guinea surch. Papua, large surch., 4d	4.50
*1872	Prince Edward Is. 1c orange	.22
1907	Siam 10t green	2.00
*1907	" 10t green	5.00
1907	" 10, 20 and 40t	11.60
1903-07	Egyptian Sudan 2pi & 5pi	.25
1892-99	Tasmania 2sh 6d brown & blue	.50
	" 10sh lilac and brown	2.40
1902	Transvaal 2sh brown and black, used or unused	1.50
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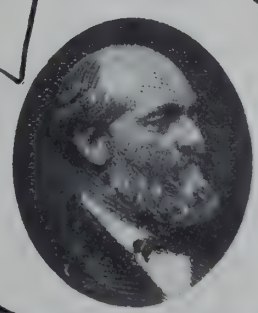

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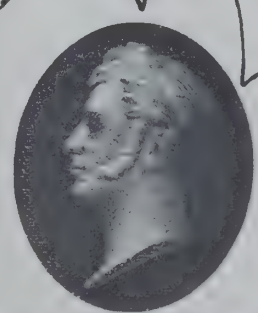

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THE AMERICAN SPECIALIST — CHARLES LATHROP PACK.

On the Executive Committee of National Conservation Association, Char the National Conservation Association, Charles Lathrop Pack of Cleveland brings to this service the prestige of a career of many years standing, distinguished not only by the success in business and civic progress in Cleveland and elsewhere, but a technical knowledge of the Forestry branch of the subject.

He was almost the first business man in this country to appreciate the Forestry situation, and once realizing it, profoundly to investigate its science. A considerable study of the German Forestry System more than twenty-five years ago, and a prolonged sojourn in the Black Forests of South Germany gave Mr. Pack the nucleus of his information on the subject, and subsequent years of close observation have made him an expert and recognized authority.

Born in Michigan, part of his early boyhood was spent in the splendid forests of white pine, for which the State was famous. He attended school at St. Catherines, Ontario, and was the youngest member of the company of Boy Cadets called to help to defend the town and guard the Welland Canal at the time of the Fort Erie fight, when the Fenians crossed into Canada. Later in life his large acquaintance in Canada and with things Canadian caused him to extensively explore its Forest Resources.

In 1880-1883 he first investigated the great resources in pine timber of Louisiana and other Southern states, and early called attention to the small fire loss in forests of long leaf pine, when fire breaks over the forest floor. For this forestry information he was paid a liberal fee by the late Jay Gould—one of our earliest instances of the payment of money for professional forestry service.

Mr. Pack was for years a member of the first State Troop of Ohio. As President of the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce, as a factor in the Indianapolis Sound Money Movement, as a member of the White House Conference called by President Roosevelt, and later a member of the National Conservation Commission, Mr. Pack has shown his capacity for both work and leadership. Mr. Pack has been one of the leaders and staunchest supporters of the Conservation Movement from the first, and his personal and financial support has been keenly appreciated by all those interested in the work. Mr. Pack has written and spoken on various subjects relating to Forestry and Conservation. In January he addressed the National Civic Association at the Washington convention on the subject of "Forest Conservation and Taxation."

It was while at school in Canada that Mr. Pack started this famous collection of the stamps of Canada, New Zealand and Victoria. Quite fortunately he there made the acquaintance of a family, all interested in stamps, who had friends in Australia. Some of the stamps of his boyhood are now in his specialized collections made during the past twelve years along scientific lines. Mr. Pack's collection of Cape "wood blocks" is little known. It includes three copies of the blue error and five copies of the red error in shades, unused pairs of both the 1 penny red and the 4 pence blue and an unused copy of the very dark blue 4 pence.

Just as we go to press we learn that Mr. Pack was able to exhibit not only his early Victorias but also his Cape wood blocks just referred to. They have been remounted and take thirty pages of an Oriel album. There are just 187 copies.

The one penny blue error is the only copy known except one in the Tapling Collection. His four pence dark blue, unused, is the only copy known except the one in Mr. Duveen's collection.

SIX SUPERB WORTHINGTON ENTIRES.

It is indeed a great privilege for us to be able to present our readers with a glimpse of the six entires shown in the above group. Could the history of each cover be written it would make an interesting story.

The great rarity is of course the pair of Mauritius one penny "Post office", probably the rarest cover in existence.

The Hawaiian cover is of exceeding interest and value, showing as it does the rate of postage from one of the small islands to Honolulu, thence to San Francisco and from there to the eastern states.

The Baltimore is a cover of great rarity, while the Alexandria has at a very recent date been duly exploited in our columns.

At least a passing word should be given the United States City Despatch Post. A large "2" will be noted, though rather indistinct, over-printed upon the stamp, the value expressed in the word "three" being barred out. It is said that this provisional was due to the fact that March 3, 1845, Congress changed the rate for drop letters from 3c to 2c and carriers were allowed to charge the same amount. No other copy of this local is known to exist.

The block of four Cape of Good Hope is of particular interest in that a cliché of the four pence is responsible for a very valuable error.

All of these entires are of great value and deserving of careful study.

R. H. BEATTY.

R. H. Beatty, the secretary of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club, collected stamps as a boy but gave up the pursuit in 1895. His present collection and interest in stamps dates from April, 1908. He joined the club the following month and immediately proceeded to take a most active interest in its affairs. The esteem in which he is held is shown by the fact that Mr. Beatty was chosen secretary and treasurer after only eight months' membership, and to this office he was recently re-elected.

Under his administration the club has shown a remarkable increase in membership, attendance and general interest. His collection of stamps has also gone ahead in a similar manner. He collects U. S. only and has already distanced many of the older U. S. specialists in Cleveland. He has the 10c and 24c August, 1861, the rarest lot of essays in Cleveland and many odd things. Mr. Beatty is a very ardent A. P. S. member and represents Cleveland on the recruiting committee.

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We shall not undertake to describe his wonderful collection. The illustrations in this issue are an indication of the thoroughness with which Mr. Worthington devotes himself to stamp collecting and the general collecting lines in which he is interested.

In this connection it will be of interest to note that Mr. Worthington does not intend to allow his collection to ever be dispersed and it ultimately will pass into the possession of the Cleveland Museum of Art.

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"	" 2 pesos red orange & black	.12
1906	**Hayti** 7c gray	.04
1909	**Nicaragua** 15c slate	.02
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To say that Cleveland was the philatelic capital of the country on March 19th is too prosaic a statement. The story of Cleveland's day must be told in superlatives if an adequate idea of the celebration of the twentieth anniversary of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club is to be conveyed. From the four points of the compass came philatelic pilgrims to attend the festival; all were spell-bound by the lavish revelations of richness. The dazzling entertainment features were of a character that was impressive.

March 19th dawned pleasantly over the scene of philatelic activity in Cleveland and so soon as the visitors arrived they were welcomed by hospitable hands. From Chicago, from Boston, from Detroit, from Columbus and other Ohio cities and from New York came philatelists of renown and upon their arrival they were taken in friendly charge. In the morning the private autos of different Cleveland members carried the visitors throughout the city; its beautiful avenues and environs. At noon a most enjoyable luncheon was given at the Cleveland Athletic Club where amid delightful surroundings, a merry hour was passed.

The members and guests then proceeded to the commodious meeting place of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club where the United States portion of Mr. Worthington's collection was on view. The room was filled by an enthusiastic gathering all eagerly intent upon the examination of the treasures innumerable in the albums. A somewhat detailed description of the U. S. stamps of Mr. Worthington as well as the superb early Victorias of Charles Lathrop Pack and of the specialized collection of O. L. Hart will be given in the next issue. Amid ideal conditions the time passed quickly.

In the evening the banquet was the fitting climax of the day of days. The dinner was truly elaborate and the menus and appointments were excellent. President Henry C. Crowell presided most fittingly; at his right was Mr. Worthington and at his left, Mr. Wolsieffer. All of those present entered fully into the joyous spirit of the occasion and for nearly five hours philatelic fellowship was supreme.

As a substitute for the customary place cards, each one found an unusual souvenir at his seat, in the shape of a photo reproduction, in sepia, of ten stamps labeled the "World's Greatest Rarities", the originals of which, it is needless to say, were from Mr. Worthington's collection. These stamps will not be described in detail at this time inasmuch as the group will be reproduced in the WEEKLY. This photo was tastefully mounted on a large folder of a dark brown antique stock, with an insert, all tastefully bound with brown silk cord. This insert contained the menu and musical program.

The following guests and members were present: Messrs. P. M. Wolsieffer, Chas. E. Severn, F. E. Farnham, Henry Ades Fowler, C. Staub, H. M. Clark and Iver R. Johnson, all of Chicago; C. F. Heyerman, Sol E. Heineman, Geo. W. Rice, Alan R. Fernald, Clarence Wilson, all of Detroit; H. S. Adair, Columbus; A. W. Batchelder and E. M. Carpenter, Boston; Jos. S. Rich, New York; W. G. Saxton, Canton, Ohio, and O. S. Hart of Akron, O., and the following from Cleveland: Honorary member, Geo. H. Worthington, and Messrs. W. H. Barnum, F. C. Bartels, R. H. Beatty, W. J. Brodie, F. E. Bruce, R. W. Bryant, Jas. P. Copland, H. C. Crowell, W. H. Foote, LeGrand French, Alvin Good, W. H. Guscott, L. A. Hanford, N. B. Harris, E. A. Hatch, E. L. Howe, C. E. Kendal, W. H. Kinnicutt, W. A. Langdon, H. J. Larsen, Carl W. Lehman, O. F. Liebner, John M. Long, Jas. Mack, Otto F. Moses, David G. Moxan, Percy G. Nixon, Thos. E. Pigott, W. C. Rhodes, Edward W. Roegge, Howard Scharschmidt, W. H. Schneider, H. L. Taite, T. H. Tubman, W. H. Waterbury, Henry Pears, W. G. Whittaker, H. S. Williams, Roy F. Wood and A. W. Weigel.

The speakers were: Geo. H. Worthington; H. S. Adair; C. E. Severn; A. W. Batchelder; E. M. Carpenter; A. R. Fernald; W. H. Barnum; Henry Ades Fowler; Jos. S. Rich, and P. M. Wolsieffer.

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THE STAMP MARKET.

By Senax.

Dealers in current issues find it an advantage to have a correspondent on or near the spot, some reliable good fellow who is simply a gatherer of stamps for the purpose of exchanging them for others outside the sweep of his own net. As likely as not he will pick up many an out-of-the-way stamp and send it along where he possesses it in duplicate.

A hundred 4c Nicaragua, 1907, is a good item, luckily secured before the quotation was withdrawn, which it speedily was. 4c and 6c values of this neighborhood are usually good things to have.

New Zealand Officials above the 1d value are an interesting quest, though apt to be not too fruitful in results.

The 10c and 20c Peru, 1907, seem too dear to venture upon in any quantity as yet, and one has to be content with stray copies.

Philippines, 1906, with the exception of the 2c, 4c and 10c, should be worth getting and perhaps keeping.

The new issue for Portugal has led to a search among old correspondence for addresses of neglected exchange correspondents in that country, and one hopes some of them may prove to be still in evidence. Still, the cheaper sorts will put in an appearance in other quarters in due time.

A plan that usually pays is to fix upon some denomination of any new set that is likely to be scarce, and get correspondents to use that value in superabundance on all their letters, thus providing oneself with a supply of that particular stamp from the outset.—*Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly.*

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NOT MEANT TO BE MEAN.

By Frank Brown.

The cataloguer of an auction sale is often forced to stressful effort in his search for descriptive terms of delicate suggestiveness. He frequently displays much ingenuity, and a bit of fine art, perhaps, in the choice of language that mildly censures but condemns not. He honestly and conscientiously tells us of minor imperfections in his wares, but he does it kindly and unobtrusively. He is considerate, and he aims to nourish and feed the ardor of our desire, rather than to dampen or chill it. And, therefore, in the bright lexicon of the auction cataloguer there is no such word as "damaged." It really is an unnecessary word to him, for he has invented a host of terms which cleverly point to grades of imperfection, modestly and with judicious emphasis, it is true, but nevertheless point to them.

It would be cruel, and also poor business, to rasp the artistic sensibilities of the particular collector with the plebeian word "damaged," when one can as well ease the harpoon into him with the well modulated substitute "infinitesimal defect." And why stampede prospective bidders with plain English when one has at command such soothing words as "small nick" and "has lost a speck" to lull them into stickin' around?

With the desire to have and to hold burning brightly within us, a "minute tear" is minute beyond cavil, a "trifling thin spot," the veriest of trifling trifles, a "gum crease," the mere suggestion of a crease, and the "gum crack" is no crack at all. Ah, the seductiveness of language! Wise men of the ages have confessed they were undone by it; why, then, should the present writer hesitate to record that he has been "done" by it? The siren song is sweet to appreciative ears, and there is an Achilles heel hidden somewhere in the physical or mental makeup of every son of Eve.

To get back on the main track: Isn't "scarcely visible cancellation" enticing? And is a "thin pen" cancellation to be sneezed at, even by him who snorts derisively at the plump, roly-poly kind? I near the end, dear reader; not of the cataloguer's hypnotic terms, but of this little diversion. But before we pass on, let us consider "imperceptible tear." It is honest and rings true. No carping critic can find fault with it, for given the right distance no doubt the tear would be imperceptible, and, enlarging on this hypothesis, at a greater distance the stamp itself would become so.

And by way of finale, we mention the tried and trusted saving clause, "but otherwise fine." It's the goods, so it is, and, outside of that and a few other things, the auction cataloguer is, too. More power to him.

A COLLECTION OF NOTE.

By W. Ward.

As promised I now give a few details of the Munn collection of U. S. to be shortly disposed of "your way." I approached Mr. William W. Munn, a well known collector in England, to get a parting sight of his American gems before they went the way of many another treasure. Of course Mr. Munn collects other countries besides U. S. Now he thinks he has been long enough, and dredged thoroughly, the philatelic knowledge to be gained from U. S. stamps outside the "Postmasters."

We all know that pretty little story told by Mr. Tiffany many, many years ago, about "Josh Billings'" father, Mr. Henry Shaw, going into Postmaster Johnson's office on the 5th of August, 1847, and buying the first 5c and 10c stamps as soon as they were issued, or rather just as they were received from the printer's hands, before issue. One or two generations of philatelists have accepted that as being the birth certificate of those famous and beautiful P. O. stamps, and religiously has the date of issue been copied into albums, into articles, into books, as August 5th, 1847. All this will have to be altered, because Mr. Munn has in his collection an entire letter, as in those far off days envelopes were yet to come into general use. This letter was *posted in New York on July 30th,* 1847, and received in Liverpool on August 14th, 1847. Not only postmarks on the cover testify to this but the name of ship, date of sailing, and date of receipt are all there. And then the stamps might have been issued a few days earlier. The stamp used is the 5c Franklin—but of course no use for international postage—a post tax having to be paid on this side by the receiver—as the issue was only recognized in the States.

The great variety and range of different colors of the 5c as set out by Mr. Munn, makes one of the opinion that our catalogues should really be revised. The divers shades are not changelings as the duplicate used and unused copies prove. Then the 10c value. Some years ago Mr. Munn was told by a very eminent U. S. authority that the 10c on white paper did not properly exist. I have closely examined this white paper copy, and I must pass my verdict as it being O. K. Mr. Munn has shown me where another authority has stated that the 12c of 1851 does not happen with the engraver's name on the margin. But he has shown me a copy with this variety! Let it suffice for me to say that a full description of the collection under notice is beyond the limits of a weekly journal, much less a monthly, so that the few things that I shall describe, are what I have picked out at sight, as being of special interest.

Among the glorious set-out of 1851, is a very fine strip of three 12c cancelled not with red, blue, black or any other ink, but red paint. It was used from Mobile.

Passing on of course we see not only the mustard plot, but patches of almost canary, of the most popular stamps to a U. S. specialist. Mr. Munn shows a 1c light blue imperforate, of the last type—though with large margins its owner doubts if it was issued in that state. Mr. Munn, who has never attempted to lay out huge sums, however he owns the fact that so few of the rarer Premier Gravures, and none of the inverted centers ever came his way—thus his collection has a better show than most of us, few of the former and none of the latter. However everybody knows that they exist, whereas in other issues Mr. Munn shows things that are not generally known.

The war issue presents a fine appearance, especially that of the 24c value with its shades of delicate lilac, to heliotrope, to grayish lilac, gray, and steel.

From Mr. Munn's 30c values I was able to learn a few things about a little point I have been trying to solve for a long time.

The '67 issues are there in all their grills with many varieties of size, which the cancellation proves their legitimate issue. Mr. Munn tells of many an interesting story of this and the 1869 issues. How he got grills of the former and "no grills" of the latter at ordinary prices of well known dealers at the price of the commoner varieties.

Passing rapidly—the eccentric, or rather unskilled printings of the Government in 1894 catch my eye. The 1c value will be found a very pearl-blue almost touching the current 1c of Luxemburg, or at least the lavender sea of the 2c 1898 'Xmas stamp of Canada.

A very curious variety of the $1.00 no watermark is shown with a long vertical clear white line up the right, 4¾ mm. in length—what one would term an American edition of the British "Hairline."

A most interesting piece in the Munn collection is the P. O. official 6c embossed envelope bearing a 3c and half of a 6c adhesive stamp, to pay 12c postage. This was used from Niagara Falls, N. Y. Altogether I spent a very pleasant evening viewing the Munn collection.

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Cleveland, the Clean—In the estimation of the philatelic public, Cleveland is one of the most classic of philatelic centers and this reputation is amply deserved. Its fame is not obtrusive but is of that quiet quality that arises from unmistakable strength and purity of purpose. Cleveland's prestige is secured by the presence within its precincts of some of the greatest collectors of the day and of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club; and it would be difficult to conceive of a combination that more fully satisfies philatelic ideals. As the knowledge of philatelic conditions in Cleveland grows more intimate, the assurance follows that it is one of the most creditable representatives that philately may claim. It is a center whose radiations warm the interest of collectors throughout the country towards it; and its collectors and its club are much in the minds of the philatelic public. Philatelists outside of Cleveland are always pleased to attend to any chronicles of philatelic Cleveland and if we are not sadly mistaken, they will heartily welcome this number of the WEEKLY that is devoted to Cleveland and its club.

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The Start—That Cleveland's philatelic standing is permanently established and is not a transitory creation may be known by the fact that twenty years ago, there were philatelists in Cleveland possessing collections of national celebrity and that the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club was formed in 1890. In the annals of the American Philatelic Society, we find that on July 1, 1890, this club was admitted to branch membership in the national organization, as it had fulfilled the necessary requirements for recognition by the national body. The following ten members of the American Philatelic Society stood sponsor for the new society: George J. Bailey, President; W. W. McLaren, Secretary; W. H. Schneider, Vice President; C. A. Brebit, Treasurer; J. V. Painter; George H. Worthington, O. L. Hart, R. G. Dodge, Irwin A. Brown and C. N. Stockwell. This roster tells its own romance of philately and the names that are on the scroll of honor bear their own testimonials. The promise held out by them has been fuller in realization than expectation; and this is laudation indeed.

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Proves Itself—In 1890, it is seen, Cleveland attained a position in philately in a nationally public sense, never to be relinquished, but on the contrary, one that becomes the more eminent with the years; and the organizers of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club must be praised for building their temple of philately so solidly. The stamp club that has lived for twenty years necessarily has passed through vicissitudes that shake the majority of philatelic organizations into dissolution. The survival of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club proves that even during the lean periods that confronted the club in the past, the blight was counteracted by the inherent philatelic vitality of the city; while the local interest may have strained, it did not snap. The good accomplished by the club in its long career by practice and by precept is living with it and resolves itself into a certificate of merit. The pleasant philatelic tone struck as the keynote of the organization has done much to make it a popular and human force. The utility of the club has been proved; its moral influence has been manifest; and it has sought to do its work through a sense of conviction and not from self-seeking impulse, we believe.

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Strength—From the first, the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club, happily named as honoring two of the great Ohioans, born or adopted, portrayed on postage stamps, attracted the co-operation of the strongest element in Cleveland and the charter roll names Mr. Painter and Mr. Worthington, not to mention others. Mr. Painter, now dead, is remembered by some of the readers as an admirable philatelist whose love for and faith in stamps were shown at every opportunity. Mr. Painter, one of the greatest collectors of his time, was instrumental in starting Mr. Worthington, so famous a philatelist today, on his glorious course as a master. These two names are sufficient to signalize the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club; and the knowledge that Mr. Painter was and Mr. Worthington is deeply regardful of the welfare of the club must be a pleasing reflection to the members. The Garfield-Perry Stamp Club has pursued its ideal so that it has almost overtaken it; and its well-spent youthhood now receives its reward in its present glorious endowment.

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Great Doings—To celebrate its twentieth anniversary, the club has invited collectors from sister cities to join in the festivities at Cleveland on March 19, 1910. The members of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club wish to share their satisfaction with friendly collectors and so invitations to attend the exercises have gone forth to neighboring cities. There will be a good number of visitors present to partake of the hospitality of the club but personal particulars are not available at this time. Suffice it to say that from the information now at hand the entertainment is of a more pretentious character than anticipated and that it has been so well planned that there is small likelihood of any obstacle presenting itself to mar a week-end of philatelic pleasure. The preparations that have been made by Cleveland for the comfort of its guests are on a scale that well reflects the unselfish sentiments of the members of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club.

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A Treat—The privilege of inspecting the collection of George H. Worthington will be one that will be eagerly embraced. It is safe to say that much of Cleveland's philatelic prestige is due to the fact that it is the home of Mr. Worthington's stamps. Needless to add, Mr. Worthington is one of the really great stamp collectors of the day, and throughout the world, he is regarded perhaps as America's premier philatelist. That his wonderful collection will be a revelation to those who examine it is a certainty; and the occasion that allows of the leisurely examination of even a part of it will remain a memorable one. It is gratifying that the owner of so remarkable a collection is not so exclusive in a philatelic sense as to lose touch of the everyday conditions of philately; and it is to Cleveland's renown that such is the case.

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A Wish—May Cleveland continue on its philatelic course, conserving its rich traditions and adding to its laurels by acts so unselfishly undertaken and so successfully accomplished as to have a beneficial influence on all philately.

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ENGLISH LETTER.

By W. WARD.

British Variety.—Real O. K. errors on the stamps of Great Britain are few and far between, and when they do occur are of great interest. I have in my possession at the time of writing a semi-albino, or half-printed copy of the current ½p King's Head. It is from the extreme top right hand corner of the sheet with margins two sides—but only the lower portion is printed—the top half being quite blank. The stamp or sheet has not been turned over at all—for there is no suspicion of a crease. It was purchased not far from where I live in the north of England. Such an error of course would have condemned the sheet to be destroyed had it been noticed. I might add that such a misprint is much scarcer in every way than the so-called "double prints" of the English stamps. These are really "pull-offs" caused by the sheet of stamps flapping back on the inked plate.

New China Issue.—This set promised and spoken of not long ago, should shortly make its appearance. "The Emperor of China has just approved the regulations submitted for the providing of a new issue," reads the news report. When one remembers that the Emperor of China is not yet four years of age—one is interested to know the exclamations the Emperor made when he was shown the essays for the issue.

Anyway I hear from a good Eastern source that the new issue for China will commemorate one great postal event—that of the closing of all the foreign post offices in China with the exception of about four belonging to Hong Kong. The matter has been settled by the U. P. U. authorities, otherwise one would think that the "kick-out" would cause the envy of France, Japan and Germany—not to mention United States, Russia and Portugal, by allowing Great Britain to have a single office.

Machine Perfs. have at last caught on in Europe. Of course the U. S. imperfs. have been extremely popular—that solid popularity that is unanimous, as against the divided opinion in regard to Caymans or Levants. On the other hand the machine issued stamps were looked at askance—probably because they were not fully understood. An article on these in a well-known English paper by a well known American philatelist has created much enthusiasm for them.

HENRY CLARK CROWELL.

Upon the first page of our cover is a picture of Henry Clark Crowell, the president of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club of Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. Crowell is thirty-five years of age and is well and favorably known by many of our subscribers through his former activity as a dealer.

Mr. Crowell has collected since 1887 and since retiring as a dealer has specialized in match and medicine stamps. He studied law and practised for several years, but gave it up to enter commercial lines. He is an active member of the A. P. S.

OUR BOOK REVIEW.

Great Britain.—Embossed Adhesive Stamps, by Fred J. Melville, being No. 1 of the second series of the Melville Stamp Books, 47 Strand, London, Eng. This little book is devoted to but three stamps, 1847 1sh green, 1848 10p red brown and 1854 6p dull lilac. Shades of all three stamps are listed, the 6d being most prolific, showing violet, lilac, mauve and purple. In this latter value can be found sufficient color study to satisfy the most fastidious. The publication is identical in form and makeup with the books of the first set. A number of full page illustrations are shown, including pictures of William Wyon, John Dickinson and Ormond Hill. There is also an illustration of a complete post office sheet of the 10 pence. Price 12c.

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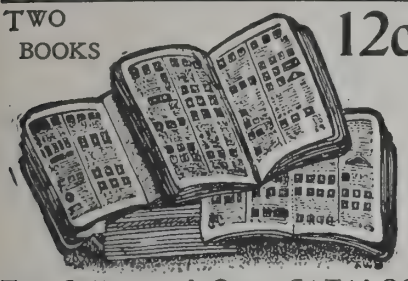

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THE ARGENTINE EXHIBITION.

"The Argentine Government gives $5000 towards the expenses of the Stamp Exhibition." This good news is quite authentic; the Government has made a grant as above towards the expenses of the Centennial Stamp Exhibition, and it will be an undoubted success. This grant is equal to about £435.

In addition to this useful grant, I am able to state that a new and very fine central Post Office is about to be built in Buenos Ayres, and the postal authorities intend to form an Official Collection, and vote several thousand dollars a year to keep it up.—CHAS. J. PHILLIPS in *Gibbons Weekly.*

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ABOUT U. S. REVENUES.

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All general U. S. Revenue collectors are, of course, expecting to see the deluge of new stamps which must come into use when the new internal revenue laws, passed by Congress in 1909, go into effect July 1st, 1910.

In view of the fact that the Bureau of Engraving and Printing will have nearly a year in which to prepare for this issue, there should be few, if any provisionals issued. If there are any surcharges at all, it seems to the writer that economy can be the only excuse. It would be done because an abnormally large stock of some issue was on hand, so large that the department would not feel like destroying it and would resort to surcharging to save it. This is all guess work, however, and we will not know till next July.

According to the Payne Tariff Law, Section 3362, "All smoking tobacco, snuff, fine cut, chewing tobacco, etc., etc., shall be put up in packages of the following description and in no other manner.

"Packages containing one-half ounce, three-fourths of an ounce, and further packages with a difference between each package and the one next smaller of one-fourth of an ounce up to and including four ounces, and packages of six ounces, seven ounces, eight ounces, ten ounces, twelve ounces, fourteen ounces, and sixteen ounces."

Section 3368 says: "Upon tobacco and snuff manufactured and sold there shall be levied a tax of eight cents per pound."

This is an increase of 33 1-3% above the old rate, which was six cents, and consequently an entire new issue of stamps is necessary. From Section 3392 is taken the following: "All cigars weighing more than 3 lbs. per thousand shall be packed in boxes, not before used for that purpose, containing respectively, five, ten, twelve, thirteen, twenty-five, fifty, one hundred, two hundred, two hundred and fifty and five hundred cigars each."

From the same section, the following: "Every manufacturer of cigarettes shall put up all the cigarettes that he manufactures, or has manufactured for him, in packages or parcels containing five, eight, ten, fifteen, twenty, fifty or one hundred cigarettes each."

The tax, also taken from this section, is as follows:

On cigars weighing more than three pounds per thousand, $3.00 per thousand.

On cigars weighing not more than three pounds per thousand, seventy-five cents per thousand.

On cigarettes weighing more than three pounds per thousand, $3.60 per thousand.

On cigarettes weighing not more than three pounds per thousand, $1.25 per thousand.

Collectors who are at all familiar with the current internal revenue stamps will readily understand, by reading these extracts that, what with new rates and new denominations provided by the Payne tariff, there should be "something doing" in U. S. Revenues next fall.

The editor has not yet had time to go through the new tariff, with care, but so far he has been unable to find any change in the rate of tax levied on fermented liquors (in ordinary English "Beer"). Therefore imagine his surprise, the other day, while walking in the Springfield streets to see a wagon load of ¼ bbls. of beer with a new stamp on each keg.

On writing of this to a revenue enthusiast in Connecticut, who has exceptional facilities for securing these "hard to get" items, he was informed that the ¼ bbl. and ½ bbl. stamps were in use in Connecticut and a day or two later, the mails brought a specimen of the ½ bbl.

This stamp is a radical departure from the long established custom of the Internal Revenue Department. Since 1871 all beer stamps have been printed in two colors, i. e. the medallion in black and the frame in color, on either white or colored paper. The new stamp is printed entirely in black on the regular light blue paper with U. S. I. R. watermark. The size 2¾ inches by 2¾ inches remains the same. In the center in place of the medallion head, which has adorned the stamps for so long, is an irregular five lobed ornament with engine turned background in center of which is the fraction ½. Above the center ornament are the words "Half Barrel," below "Fifty Cents," and beneath the words "Fifty Cents" in very small letters "Series of 1909." Around center is a frame with circular top and a scroll across bottom. From frame to outer line is filled with engine turned design. In upper left corner the word "Beer," upper right corner "Stamp." At bottom at each side in ovals the fraction "½." Between ovals are the words "U. S. Internal Revenue."

Altogether the effect is pleasing. Nevertheless it is a cheapening of the process of production and compares poorly with the issue it supercedes, and should be much easier to counterfeit than the old design printed in two colors.

It seems strange that the Department should have done this, as it has heretofore used every precaution against counterfeiting, even going to the trouble and expense of having the beer stamps printed in two different cities. For instance in the series of 1871 beer stamps, the frame was printed by the Continental Bank Note Co. and the medallion by the Buerau of Engraving and Printing.

Items have appeared in several newspapers and have been copied in one or two stamp papers, anent a proposed change in the form of the cigar stamps for the new issue. It is proposed that the values from twelve to two hundred, instead of being in ribbon form as at present, be in the form of an oval seal, and are to be pasted down on the nail that holds the cover in place.

That indefatigable digger, J. Delano Bartlett, has just unearthed three new tin foils, series of 1902. They are Allen & Dunning Co.'s "Home Rule" and "Magnolia" and Warwick Brown & Co.'s "Premium."

The "Home Rule" is dated Jan. 2, 1904, and up to the present time has escaped discovery.

The editor hopes in his next notes to tell of another find which to him is very interesting, but of which he is not at liberty to write now.

NOTE. Revenue collectors and especially members of the U. S. R. S. are requested to submit to the editor anything new, odd, or interesting, about U. S. Revenues, that the same may be brought before the wide circle of the WEEKLY readers. Proper credit will be given and specimens submitted will be promptly returned.

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UNITED STATES.—Wm. G. Nightingale sends us a photograph of a cover bearing a hitherto uncatalogued local stamp. The original cover was sent by Wasson & Jacobs of 141 Pearl Street, New York City, to George C. Nightingale, Esq., Providence, R. I., and contained a circular date March 15, 1849. There is no regular postage stamp on the cover as photographed, though a pencilled address shows that some difficulty was experienced in finding Mr. Nightingale. The local stamp, which appears to have been added in Providence, is placed near the left upper corner, but it is not cancelled. The stamp is type set, 8x15 mm., the border being very much like Mason's New Orleans City Express stamp, though with slightly different corner pieces. The inscription reads "Providence—Despatch," in two lines of plain Roman type of small size, the stamp being printed in black on white paper.

Herman W. Boers sends us a part of a cover having five copies of the current 6c stamp, precancelled "Racine, Wis.," in two lines reading down, with a heavy line between. In addition, the cover bears a two cent stamp which has been cancelled with the regular package cancellation, which laps over on to the precancelled stamps.

Oscar T. Olson reports having 1092 3c, precancelled "Boston, Mass." inverted.

After April 1 we shall omit any further chronicling of pre-cancelled stamps, this being due to the lack of interest taken in them. Then again, we find that correspondents very frequently send in news items containing matter used months previous. We shall be glad to use an occasional article giving data of value to specialists in these stamps and believe that this will be the very best way in which to give reliable information.

BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS.—*Champion's Bulletin* notes the issue of three high value stamps in the current design.

Adhesives.

2sh violet on blue.
2sh 6d red on blue.
5sh blue on yellow.

CHINA.—*Champion's Bulletin* chronicles an officially sealed stamp, which is quite an ambitious design, with the usual array of dragons, etc. The inscriptions read "Chinese Imperial Post," above and "Officially Sealed" below, with Chinese inscriptions in the centre. No value is expressed of course, the color of the printing being yellow green on white.

CUBA.—The new stamps, chronicled in No. 998 were accompanied by a complete set of telegraph stamps, seven in number. They are all two-color stamps, and bear the portraits of Cuban worthies, including Bernabe Boza, Jose Lacret, Flor Clombret, Andres Moreno sw de la Torre, Oscar Primelles, J. M. Aguirre and Narcisco Lopez.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.—*Champion's Bulletin* reports that the 4c Postage Due stamp has at last been issued on watermarked paper.

GABON.—*Lemaire's Journal* says that the words "Congo Francais" which appear on the new stamps noted in No. 1001, will be shortly replaced by the general term "Afrique Equatoriale Francaise," under which head will be grouped all the French Colonies in that part of Africa, similar to "l'Afrique Occidentale" on the West Coast. A uniform series of stamps will be issued, with the names of the different Colonies inserted.

ITALY.—*Offices in Tripoli.—Lemaire's Journal* reports the two Express Letter stamps have also been overprinted for use in Tripoli. The same paper notes that the surcharge has been seen on the regular 15c stamp in violet, all the others being in black.

NEW HEBRIDES.—Some interesting statistics of the latest consignments of Fiji stamps surcharged "New Hebrides Condominium" are given by *Ewen's Weekly*, from which it appears that a third supply despatched May 10, 1909, contained the following quantities and values:—½d, 7,200 (including 1,920 with the single watermark); 2d, 7.200 (second shade); 5d, 7,200 (second shade); 6d, 7,200 (second shade); 1s, 7,200 (multiple watermark); while the fourth consignment on August 27, 1909, was composed of 12,000 each of the 1d and 2d, and 6,000 of the 6d and 1s values. In the face of the information given in a recent issue, it would appear that a fifth supply has been prepared. The same journal prints the following extract from a letter written by the Resident Commissioner under date of November 10, 1909: "It is intended to replace the present provisional issue by a permanent one of joint Anglo-French design, which is at present under consideration; but I am unable to give even an approximate date for its appearance."

NORWAY.—*Gibbons Weekly* gives a description of a change in the current 1k stamp, with portrait of King Haakon, which is now being printed from a plate prepared from the new die already used for the 2k.

Supplementing the information there given it may be well to note the following principal points of difference between the two dies:

Die I.—Design measures 20x15½ mm. There are eight lines of shading across the forehead. There is a single line of shading on the button. Pillars supporting arch have 3 lines of shading on the left and two on the right-hand side.

Die II.—Design measures 21½x17 mm. There are ten lines of shading across the forehead. There are two lines of shading on the button. Pillars have only two lines of shading both on the right-hand side.

SALVADOR.—A second value of the new set has been shown us by the C. E. Hussman Stamp Co., the design and portrait being the same as the 1c value previously noted.

Adhesive.

5c purple and black.

SIAM.—*Gibbons Weekly* gives the following as the quantities of stamps surcharged with the new satang values:

2 satang on 1 att, yellow and green,	1,056,426
2 satang on 2 atts, green,	1,000,000
6 satang on 4 atts, rose and carmine,	557,761
6 satang on 5 atts, rose and carmine,	28,531
12 satang on 8 atts, olive and dull black,	919,197
14 satang on 9 atts, blue,	941,467
6 satang on 6 atts, carmine, profile,	160,752

All the above except the last were of the King's Head and Pagoda type, the last being the profile issue of 1904.

ST. VINCENT.—*Ewen's Weekly* says the 2½d stamp was also printed without the period, and therefore should be added to the list given in No. 996.

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A member of the public, complaining that articles sent by him in parcels to Persia got lost, wrote: "The parcel post service was evidently established in Persia with the object of providing the officials of that country with food and clothing. The only articles which appear to reach their destination are the publications of the Religious Tract Society."—*Westminster Gazette.*

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—Our cover design was drawn by Geo. Wm. Unger, Columbus, Indiana, in our contest inaugurated two months ago. It is an exceedingly clever piece of work and will no doubt be appreciated. The portraits of Garfield and Perry make an appropriate ornamentation to the cover of a special number such as this.

—The world's grand total of new emissions for last year was 766, or, taking them in continents, 145 for Europe, 109 for Asia, 203 Africa, 265 America and 44 Oceania. The total for 1909 fell 50 short of that for 1908.

—M. A. Lesser sends us a clipping from the N. Y. *Staatszeitung* as follows: "At the Hotel Drouot in Paris one of the finest stamp collections in the world was sold under the hammer recently. It was the property of M. Schwabe, and the items sold amounted to about $19,300 in the aggregate."

—Clippings acknowledged with thanks from the Oxford Stamp Co., Herman W. Boers, Carl B. Stickley (2), A. A. Kelson, C. W. Gustafson, Max A. Lesser (4), L. F. Gow, Geo. C. Smith and Thos. F. Futcher.

—Capt. A. P. S. Hyde has called our attention to an error in the item in regard to the new watermark for the Philippine Islands stamps. It was stated that the new watermark was to take the place of U. S. P. S. "now in use." What was meant to be said was that it was to be smaller sized with a single line letter reading P. I. P. S. instead of a large double line letter as in the past.

U. S. DESIGNS.

To return to the present day, the exception to the general decadence of designs is, of course, to be found in the stamps of the United States. A few modern issues, such as Barbados, Soudan, Liberia, are beautifully executed; but for a general level of artistic care, none can approach the American. For what reason? In the European and Colonial issues you are tempted to suppose that the gradual transition from extreme care in workmanship to ugly utility, is due to some reflected recognition of the hurry and press of modern life and the needlessness of devoting time to the designing of what is only a mixture of passport and receipt. You perhaps expect the keen business head of the American to carry himself along on similar lines, resulting in the production of equally ugly stamps. Perhaps this care in the production of American stamps is due to an effort to increase the revenue of the country. That will hardly do. More probably the answer is to be found in the fact that a busy nation, like a busy man, has more time than the idle to devote to apparent unimportant details. Doubtless the whole business of designing postage stamps cannot be called important; but the progress of designing is not without interest as a bypath in the study of national character.—Ferris Chilcott in *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly.*

AMERICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY—*Continued from Page 118*

St. to 2176 E. 100th St., Cleveland, Ohio.
2910. Scharschmidt, Mrs. S. H., from 49th St. to 2176 E. 100th St., Cleveland, Ohio.
2119. Bostwick, C. B., from 23rd St. to 30 Church St., New York, N. Y.

CORRECTION.

3414. Gow, L. F., Burlingame, Cal., care W. B. Bourn.

INFORMATION WANTED, ADDRESS OF.

3006. Cain, W. E.
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Total membership March 19, 1910,	1888
Reinstated,	1
Total,	1889
Resignations accepted,	5
Total membership Mar. 26, 1910,	1884

The next number of the quarterly will be out very shortly and those members not having sent in their change of address will please do so at once as it is the desire to publish names and addresses as correct as possible. Will the members please give this their prompt attention.

Advertisers please note that copy for ads in next number of the *Quarterly* should be sent in at once.

The new Stock Certificates will be in shortly and will be issued as soon as possible after their receipt. Until then members recently admitted that have not received same kindly be patient. Their arrival will be announced in this department and it will then be the time to write if you have not received yours.

How about that "2000-1910-Detroit?"

H. S. ADAIR, Sec.

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Distribution No. 28, consisting of the following 16 new issues was sent to the participants on March 18th: Austria 2, Cayman Islands 2, Crete 1, German Empire 2, India 1, Italy 2, Jaipur 1, Siam 4, Wurttemberg 1.

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Meetings first (informal) and third (regular) Tuesdays, Room 322, Tremont Bdg., 7.30 P. M.

BOSTON, MASS., Mar. 15, 1910.

The 222nd (regular) meeting of the society was called to order at the new Club Room, 322 Tremont Building, at 8.20 this evening. Previous to the business meeting the members gathered in the Assembly Room for a flashlight photograph. The attendance was 46, and as most of those present will be found in the picture, it will make an excellent souvenir of the first meeting in our new quarters, and what we hope will be the beginning of enhanced prosperity for the society.

Pres. Wylie took the chair for the business meeting, and the records of the last regular and the Governing Board meetings were read. Mr. Nevin presented the following:

Library Report for March, 1910.

By donation: 31 copies of magazines to fill out volumes, from Mr. W. C. Emery, Springfield Stamp Club; Drew's 212th Sale from A. P. Brown; Morgenthau's 25th Sale; Scott Stamp and Coin Co.'s 166th Sale; 42 unpriced auction catalogs and 58 copies of magazines from New England Stamp Co.

And the current numbers of the following magazines, generously contributed by the publishers:—Gibbons' Weekly, Mekeel's Weekly, Stamp Journal, Berliner Briefmarken-Zeitung, Collectors' Journal, Carter's Messenger, Postage Stamp, Redfield's Weekly, Attleboro Philatelist, and Philatelic Journal of Great Britain.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES K. B. NEVIN,
C. A. HOWES.

Mr. Risdon reported orally for the House Committee that the moving of the Club Room had been successfully accomplished, and for the rest the members must judge of the change by inspection.

The resignation of Nos. 273 and 415 were read and accepted. The Secretary stated that one member who had just resigned wished to withdraw the resignation, but he had no written request at hand. It was voted to reconsider the acceptance of the resignation and lay the matter on the table. The following applications were posted:

Joseph M. Livermore.
Frank M. Mason.
Theodore W. Barry.

The following were elected to membership:

No. 517. Edwin B. Hill.
No. 518. Stephen G. Rich.
No. 519. B. W. Allen.
No. 520. John Alden.
No. 521. Frederic W. Stiles.
No. 522. Edward Gowing.

It was voted that a framed copy of the photograph taken be presented to the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club at their 25th Anniversary celebration. It was voted to name Messrs. A. W. Batchelder and E. M. Carpenter as our delegates to represent the society at the aforesaid celebration and present the felicitations of this society with the photograph.

The International Secretary urged that our members interest themselves in the International Philatelic Exhibition at Berne next September, and send some exhibits, particularly as this society has been named on the Committee of Honor. It was voted to donate a silver medal to the exhibition.

Mr. Rothfuchs declined to serve as a Press Committee, and the nomination of a successor was left to the Governing Board.

The competitive exhibition brought out four collections, two of Norway and two of Netherlands. The winners claimed one of each, Mr. J. B. B. Smith taking the box of cigars offered on Netherlands and Mr. C. A. Howes the box of Huyler's candy on Norway.

Mr. Carpenter's exhibit of 20th Century stamps was greatly admired, as it is quite complete and all unused. The multitude of new issues brought forth in the past decade make a very attractive display.

The business meeting adjourned at 9 p. m.

C. A. HOWES, Sec.

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SPECIAL NOTICE!

The Governing Board has made arrangements for a special auction at the next meeting, April 19th. At least 50 lots are desired, each to be of *not less* than $1 catalog. The only object is to hold a *good sale* and furnish an additional attraction at this meeting. Members are asked to put in some good lots, and all are urged to come and bid liberally. The society used to have some fine sales; let's have another! A list of lots will be published with the call for meeting. *Look up your duplicates!* The Committee is Messrs. J. B. B. Smith, Chmn., J. H. Lyons and W. L. Aldrich.

C. A. HOWES, Sec.

A PHILATELIST HONORED.

We are indebted to Mr. Wilmot Corfield for the information, which we have great pleasure in communicating to our readers, that Mr. Stewart-Wilson, the Director-General of the Post Office of India, has been appointed a member of the Viceroy's Council. We have known Mr. Stewart-Wilson as President of the Council of the Philatelic Society of India, as Postmaster-General of the Punjab, and more recently as Head of the Post Office Department of the Indian Empire, in all of which capacities we are assured that his services to the Post Office have been no less conspicuous than his services to philately. From the philatelic point of view he is a model of what a high official of his Department should be, ever ready to simplify the task of collectors (and, it may be said, at the same time that of his own officers) by discouraging in every way the issue of unnecessary varieties of stamps and of the overprints impressed upon them. No one has done more towards spreading the advantages of a regular postal system throughout India, by substituting Imperial Post Offices for those of the Native States, the list of States using special postage stamps having been reduced to a very large extent during recent years, to the great advantage both of the inhabitants of the States and of the collectors of the stamps.—*Gibbons Weekly.*

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To the Officers and Members of the American Philatelic Society:

As a report of its work during the second quarter of the society's fiscal year, your Board of Vice-Presidents submits these statements:

It is pleasing to note that in the period covered by this report no objection has been received to the admission of any applicant for membership. On the other hand it is a fact to be deplored that serious charges have been lodged against several members, in addition to many complaints of a trivial nature, which later might have been adjusted in a friendly spirit, without reference to this Board.

A greater regard for the rights of others, a more wholesome respect for the primary laws of business, which underlie every stamp transaction, and a more noticeable display of a give and take spirit would promote the feeling of good fellowship, which should exist between all members, and increase the prestige of the society in consequence of such feeling, creating, as it will, an atmosphere of healthful ambition and cooperation.

In short, basing its conclusion upon the deluge of trifling matters, which have been referred to it, your Board would respectfully suggest that in those unfortunate differences of opinion, which must sometimes arise, that the interested parties use every effort to reach a mutually satisfactory and amicable agreement, that is to say, that here the spirit of good fellowship and the spirit of give and take should be manifested and every effort made to effect a happy compromise.

Respectfully submitted,
F. R. CORNWALL, Chmn.,
A. STRAUSS,
CHESTER MYERS, Clerk.

REPORT OF SECRETARY FOR WEEK ENDING MARCH 26, 1910.

APPLICATIONS PENDING.

Paine, C. H.	Packard, L. J.
Muecke, Chas.	Evans, Harry S.
Alden, John.	Wehe, Carl.
Hosmer, Thos. L.	Baker, B. D.
Jackson, Oscar F.	McLenegan, Chas.
Holpuck, James.	Edwards, Brice, Jr.
Lazos, Louis.	Jacobs, A. B.
Thier, Max.	Taite, Harry.
Graham, V. M.	Reymann, Otto C.
Raub, H. L., Jr.	Lehmann, Carl W.
Bell, Sidney C.	Mack, James.
Zumstein, Ernst.	

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

As soon as your name has been published as an applicant you will probably have unsolicited selections of stamps sent you on approval. As a great many collectors object to this the Society desires to break the practice up. Please aid us and help protect yourself and others against further imposition, by holding such selections without purchasing therefrom until sufficient funds have been received from the sender to enable you to return the stamps to him by registered mail. Also please report to the Secretary of the Society the name of the dealer sending such unsolicited selections.

Barr, H. C., 129 Denison Ave., Davenport, Iowa; age 31; Wholesale Ice Cream. Reference: S. P. Bawden, Lane Bldg. Proposed by R. H. Beatty, No. 3171.

Runyon, Ernest F., 714 N. Co. Line, Fostoria, Ohio; age 21; Brick Layer. References: The James Crawford Co.; F. P. Lidnsay. Proposed by D. T. Eaton, No. 1039.

De Heusch, Baronne, Villa Scharn, near Maartricht, Holland; age 57. Reference: Societe Hollandaise. Proposed by Jan de Vries, No. 3162.

Pepper, George H., U. of P. Museum, 33rd and Spruce St., Philadelphia, Pa.; Age Legal. Reference: A. F. Henkels. Proposed by John W. Hazeltine, No. 1964.

Cooper, Harold, 21 Laurel Ave., Auburn, Maine; age 16; Student. References: First National Bank; Wise & Cooper Co. Proposed by W. O. Wylie. Guaranteed by father, Arthur H. Cooper.

Martin, Donald W., 704 Holland Ave., Saginaw, Mich.; age 20. Reference: T. W. Martin, 205 Genesee Ave. Proposed by Fred Doughty, No. 264. Guaranteed by father, T. W. Martin.

Lauritzen, Harry, Rio Vista, Cal.; age 21; Clerk. References: L. Miller & Co.; Bank of Rio Vista. Proposed by Ross O'Shaughnessy, No. 1576.

Herrmann, Arnold, A-16 Produce Exchange, New York, N. Y. References: Geo. R. Tuttle; V. Mozian. Proposed by Ira C. Greene, No. 2676.

REINSTATED.

1416. Cowan, Robt. E., San Francisco, Cal.

RESIGNATIONS ACCEPTED.

3174. Smith, Walter M., Salt Lake City, Utah.
2710. Dimmick, Geo., Shreveport, La.
3142. Miller, Miss E. C., Philadelphia,Pa.
3077. Denison, J. D., Terre Haute, Ind.
3406. Cincinnati Branch, No. 29.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

3341. Jakobsen, J. A., from Danbury to Battle Creek, Iowa.

1144. Carstarphen, Oney K., from New York City to Auditor Terminal Taxicab Co., Washington, D. C.

3647. Silleck, F. U., from Brooklyn to 80 Mahlstedt Place, New Rochelle, N. Y.

2322. Perry, Elliott, from Maynard, Mass., to 119 Buell St., Burlington, Vt.

2115. Gaerte, Fred, from 942 to 1418 Belmont Ave., Chicago, Ill.

2060. Pratt, Emery S., from 3rd St. to 130 1st Ave., North, Minneapolis, Minn.

2340. Ernest, Henry, from Gonzalez to 1815 Conti Ave., Houston, Texas.

3359. Brooks, M. O., from Monterey, Cal., to 43 Whitehall St., New York, N. Y.

2942. Ridenour, Louis N., from Scranton, Pa., to 902 Union Trust Bldg., Wash., D. C.

1434. Thiessen, Wm., from Milwaukee to 474 S. Robert St., St. Paul, Minn.

3569. Sachs, C. W., from Engler St. to 619 S. Pearl St., Columbus, Ohio.

2634. Feuchtinger, John, from S. 3rd St. to 147 E. Oakland St., Columbus, O.

2725. Gammans, Elbert H., Jr., from Lafayette St. to 181 Joralemon St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

2988. Chamberlin, Lieut. F. V. S., from Ft. Missoula to Ft. Assinniboine, Mont.

3595. Barron, N. P., from Lismore, Minn., to Masonville, Iowa.

3169. Martin, Mrs. E. S., from W. Long St. to 1078 Oak St., Columbus, O.

1343. Martin, E. S., from W. Long St. to 1078 Oak St., Columbus, Ohio.

3095. Reynard, H. W., from Kentucky St. to 942 S. 5th St., Louisville, Ky.

2236. Seebohm, H. P., from New York City to 1228 Broadway, Oakland, Cal.

1728. Even, Theo, from 1686 to 3209 N. Clark St., Chicago, Ill.

1653. Boehm, Adolph F., from Hamlin Ave. to 2500 Millard Ave., Chicago, Ill.

2208. Vorhees, B. L., from 1391 to 1049 Lawrence Ave., Chicago, Ill.

2353. Myers, Chester, from Wash. Boul. to 300 S. 3rd St., St. Louis, Mo.

2699. Swanke, R. A., from Jefferson St. to 477 11th St., Milwaukee, Wis.

2078. Wolf, J. Louis, from Sycamore St. to 717 Maryland Ave., Milwaukee, Wis.

2905. Dallmeyer, Frank W., from Adams St. to R. F. D. No. 4, Jefferson City, Mo.

2854. Cone, John J., Jr., from Brockton, Mass., to R. F. D. No. 3, Middletown, Conn.

2869. Schweizer, E., from Cleveland, Ohio, to Boston, Ohio.

3176. Douglas, P. F., from 97th St. to 1368 E. 124th Place, Cleveland, Ohio.

2909. Scharschmidt, S. H., from 49th

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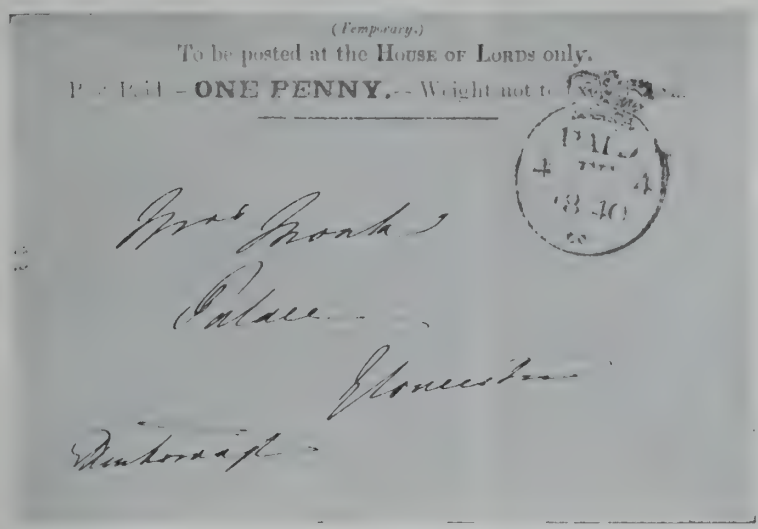

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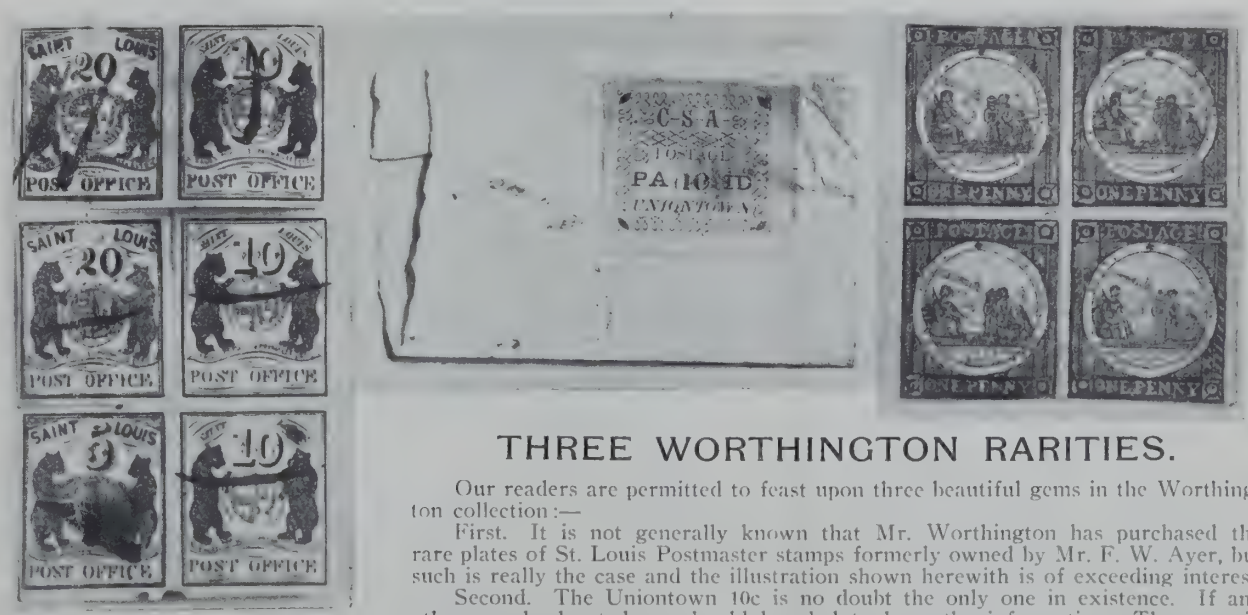

THREE WORTHINGTON RARITIES.

Our readers are permitted to feast upon three beautiful gems in the Worthington collection:—

First. It is not generally known that Mr. Worthington has purchased the rare plates of St. Louis Postmaster stamps formerly owned by Mr. F. W. Ayer, but such is really the case and the illustration shown herewith is of exceeding interest.

Second. The Uniontown 10c is no doubt the only one in existence. If any other can be located we should be glad to have the information. The copy in Mr. Worthington's collection is on gray blue paper, though listed on white by Scott. What collector has this stamp on white paper?

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160		5c carmine	.08	.04
161		10c violet	.10	.05
162		15c on 2c vermilion	.20	.10
163		30 on 1 violet	.40	.15
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176		15 on 10 "	.20	.10
177		15 on 10 "	.50	.15
177a		15 on 10 " inverted	3.50	1.25
178		5 on 10	.25	.10
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512		20c brown	2.50	.50
513		30c green	2.50	.50
514		50c lake	2.50	.60
522		15c on 10	..	1.50
542		15c bistre	..	.30
813	Official	1 on 10	.06	.03
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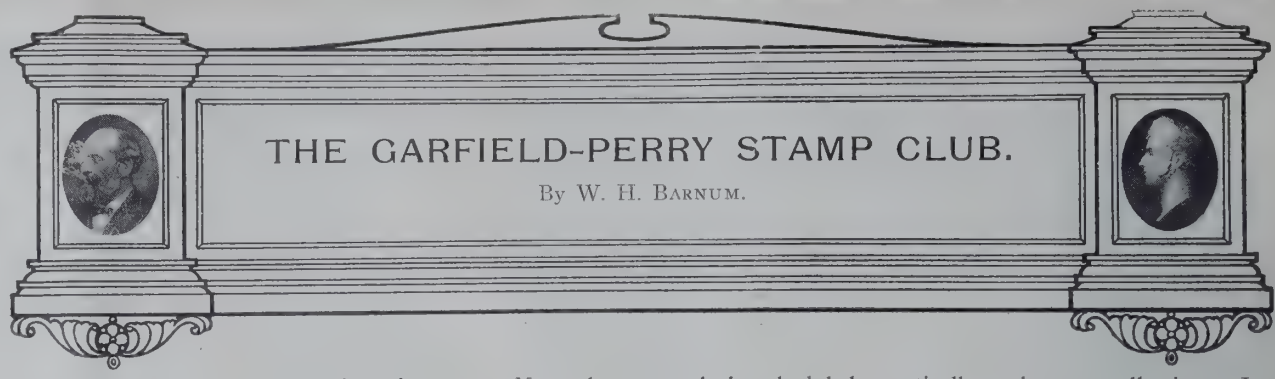

Cleveland was remarkably slow in taking its rightful place in the philatelic world, and, in fact, was really never heard of until the night of March 17, 1890, when several ardent collectors met and formed the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club. True, in earlier years, at very occasional intervals, a philatelic paper would suddenly appear bearing Cleveland as its birthplace only to disappear again just as suddenly. Also, in 1887 or 1888 Mr. O. S. Hart (now of Akron, O.) endeavored to mobilize the few known collectors scattered through the city into an organized body but, after making several attempts with but little success, gave it up as a bad job. Hence I feel justified in asserting, insofar as philately is concerned, that Cleveland's history properly dates from March 17th, 1890.

While, as a club, we were almost unheard of until recently, we can point to an unbroken record these twenty years. Never has a regularly scheduled meeting been omitted. This is true not only when prosperity was smiling upon us but when depressing times and lack of interest prevailed. Always were there enough of the faithful from which to gather the required quorum.

Never, as a club, have we brought out works of research and study, similar to those of the Boston and old New York societies, to which we might point with pride at this time. On the other hand, however, special exhibits held for the special edification of the members, both in number and quality, has hardly been excelled by any local organization in the United States. For this feature, we are of course largely indebted to our honorary members, Mr. Worthington and Mr. Pack, not to mention the late J. V. Painter. However, many of the rank and file have made specialized exhibits that have really been surprisingly complete and out of the ordinary for practically unknown collections. It is not my intention here to itemize these exhibits, but mention should be made of that held in November 1907, at which Mr. Chas. L. Pack showed his collection of Canada and British North America, which was awarded the gold medal at the London exhibition earlier in the year, for the reason that this particular evening inaugurated the present prosperous condition of the club. No less than fifty-eight members and friends being present on this occasion, Mr. Pack among the number.

The club has had lean years, several of them, but always has it come back just a little stronger than before until now, as we round our second decade, we can point to a membership lacking but a few of one hundred, an average attendance approximating thirty and an amount of enthusiasm that augers well for the future.

W. H. BARNUM.

By H. C. Crowell.

W. H. Barnum, the subject of this sketch, was born in Cleveland in 1878, began collecting in 1890, and joined the A. P. S. in 1894, his number being 585. He was Secretary of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club for six years, and President of the same club in 1902. In 1895-6, when the Philatelic Sons of America was a most thriving and lively organization with over one thousand members, Mr. Barnum most ably filled the office of Secretary for sixteen months. Since he joined the A. P. S. he has attended nine conventions. During 1909 he secured nineteen new members for the society, which was the largest number secured by any member aside from the Chairman of the Recruiting Committee, and the Secretary of the organization. Such a record as this should be deserving of some recognition by our national society, and for this reason the Cleveland Branch felt itself called upon to offer him the nomination for Secretary of the American Philatelic Society.

Mr. Barnum has always taken a keen interest in the internal affairs of the society, and without doubt is as intimate with the customary procedure taken with the business routine of the society as any one member who has never served on the official board, and for this reason there would be no delay while he was familiarizing himself with the duties of the office.

Of a modest retiring nature, genial disposition, he is greatly esteemed by all who know him. He is not an office seeker in the slightest degree, and the thanks of the A. P. S. are due to the Cleveland Branch in prevailing upon Mr. Barnum to accept the nomination of Secretary, as for a man of his business standing it means considerable sacrifice, but the members may be assured that if elected the office will be conducted able and energetically.

Mr. Barnum is prominently connected with the wholesale paper business in this city.

TO AMERICAN PHILATELISTS!

The following circular letter has come to hand from the Philatelic Society of Sweden:

Stockholm, March, 1910.

A lot of imperforate Swedish postage stamps of the 5 and 20 öre values of the current issue, have recently appeared here and have been offered for sale. For this reason, the Philatelic Society of Sweden appointed a special Investigation Committee in order to establish the true status of these stamps.

From this investigation it was found that the stamps referred to were either valueless printers' waste, or else had been circulated without the authority of the Post Department, and, according to a statement issued by the latter, they will not be accepted for the payment of postage. On strength of this, we herewith issue a warning against these stamps, and trust that all philatelists will assist us in preventing high prices being paid for something that has no corresponding value.

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By HENRY J. CROCKER, F. R. P. S.

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly, October 16th, printed my reply to the particular attention paid these stamps in a review of my work on "Hawaiian Numerals" by Major E. B. Evans in the June 26th issue. Commenting on this last article where I substantiated the claim that these stamps were regularly issued he says:

"There is one statement in the article which, if it can be shown to be correct would settle the matters at once and render all further argument superfluous." It as as follows: "Mr. Wm. G. Irwin saw Postmaster Brickwood deface the plates, and he states he was in the postoffice employ at the time. Mr. Irwin tells me he left the postoffice in the latter part of the year 1865, so we know from this the plates were destroyed in 1865."

As I am able to assure him that the statement is true, I will detail the matter later on in this article. It would seem as if catalogues would reinstate these from now on. The statement did not appear for the first time in the above article, but in "Hawaiian Numerals," and recognizing its importance I took care to have it approved. Major Evans is not clear on some other points, so I will endeavor to review them.

The early stamps of Hawaii have proven a prolific source of controversy for the past forty-five years. The contentions, doubts and theories advanced were caused by the absence of postal records. The 2c Missionary, now one of the rarest stamps known, was doubted; some of the Numerals were classed as reprints for years. The 2c engraved was said to have been issued in 1855, although it was not ordered until 1861. The 5c Numeral interisland, was not accepted as a regular issue for thirty years after it appeared, and the stamps under discussion "which" as J. N. Luff says, "Had long been accepted as having been prepared and issued for postal purposes" were in 1900 classed as reprints in an article written by L. Hanciau. A strong protest was at once entered by students of these stamps, although later, as Major Evans says, Mr. J. N. Luff became convinced as to his side of the question.

The additional information brought out at the time, however, was an aid to the final solution, and thus after ten

HENRY J. CROCKER.

years more of research, I feel rewarded with the result.

During this time I met and consulted with W. G. Irwin, the former postoffice clerk, and the author of the letters quoted by L. Hanciau; by him I was introduced to Alva K. Clark, Postmaster General from 1859 to 1863. I also met Wm. M. Giffard who wrote a book on the early stamps. With new information gathered, and with old data placed in order, I have succeeded in proving that the so-called reissues were regularly ordered for postoffice needs as was the case with all the issues prior to 1866, although we have no postal records of many of these stamps. (See Giffard page 3.)

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purpose of removing some other doubts expressed by Major Evans, I will relate the events as I gather them which took place in Hawaiian Postal affairs from the 19th day of September 1864 to the 1st day of June 1866, the end of my researches.

During this period of twenty months and twelve days, the following stamps were ordered:

The 5c 1853 Type (4th requisition).
The 13c 1853 Type (2nd requisition).
The 5c Hawaiian Postage Numeral (1st requisition).
The 2c engraved (2nd requisition).
The 5c engraved (1st requisition).
The 2c and 1c Hawaiian Numeral (plates XVIII & XVII).
The 5c Numerals "Interisland" error (1st requisition).
The 2c engraved (3rd requisition).
The 5c engraved (2nd requisition).

By comparing orders for stamps previous to and succeeding this period an extraordinary confusion of affairs is proven.

The plates for the 1853 type were ordered by H. M. Whitney at a time when he was running the postoffice at his own expense. His requisition for the 5c stamps lasted him three years (1853-1856).

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Postmaster Clark who succeeded Jackson consulted Whitney, and obtained a new lot which lasted four years (1861-1864 inclusive) at which time Kalakaua was in office and ran short of them. That he followed custom and consulted Whitney for a new lot, and included an order for 13c stamps, is shown by subsequent events.

On the date mentioned above, Sept. 19th, 1864, Postmaster Kalakaua wrote Postmaster Perkins, San Francisco, U. S. A. acknowledging his letter giving the new rates established by the United States as being 10 cents the single rate of ½ oz. or under. Kalakaua published this rate throughout the Islands and sent a copy to Perkins. That a grave error was committed is shown by the subsequent correspondence.

At this time Kalakaua was practically out of 5 cent stamps, and totally out of them a few months later. It has been conceded the 5c and 13c were printed at the same time and the above mentioned error could be the reason for ordering the latter. The old ones were still used, although they had become very scarce indeed and were practically obsolete.

Postmaster Perkins received the letter from Kalakaua and replied showing that a mistake had been made. The day the letter was received (Dec. 14, 1864) advertisements were at once placed in the daily paper and circulars were sent to each postoffice announcing the correct rate of three cents. This proved the order for the 13c was unnecessary. The order was evidently not cancelled as it would have taken at least two months for a letter to reach Boston, and the 5c were needed, it having become totally exhausted.

While awaiting this fresh supply from the United States, the postoffice was compelled to resort to the local plates formerly used for the 1c and 2c Numerals. It was fixed up for printing the 5 cent Numeral, copies of which Mr. Irwin sent to Moens in a letter describing his design of the 2c engraved stamp then in use, and which was to supercede the use of the Numerals. Moens had written for some of the old 5c stamps, but Irwin notified him they were out, but he was awaiting a fresh supply from the United States.

Kalakaua refers to his order in his letter of March 6, 1864 to Postmaster Coney at Hilo. He was awaiting a fresh supply from the United States. A careful study at this point of all the material gathered will convince the most skeptical that the only stamp referred to was the 1853 type, and not the 5c engraved which had not been ordered.

Twenty-four days afterward (March 31, 1864) Kalakaua was removed and Postmaster A. P. Brickwood was appointed by Kamehameha V.

It was under this new regime that the 5c engraved was ordered by Brickwood, April 26th, 1865. It was as follows:

The design was to be exactly the same as the 2c which had proved satisfactory. The features in the center, however, were to be those of the new King Kamehameha V, instead of Kamehameha IV, and "five" was to be inserted in place of "two" cents. This was all faithfully carried out.

Major Evans says:

"In regard to the date at which the 5c stamps with portrait of Kamehameha V first reached Hawaii, I would draw attention to the following facts. Mr. Giffard's book states distinctly that the first requisition for these was dated '26th April, 1865, and the delivery made August 31st, 1865.' If this is correct it is sufficient to prove, as I pointed out in the *Monthly Journal* for March 1901, that there must have been previous correspondence on the subject of the die and plate for this 5c stamp, and that it may well have been the stamp that was being looked forward to in February, 1865. I showed at the same time that in the case of the 2c, which was produced by the same engravers, correspondence commenced on November 4th, 1863, and the first requisition was dated January 23rd, 1864. A requisition for 5c stamps would not have been made before any design or die had been approved, and it is fair to assume that the plate of the 5c was known to be ready before the requisition of April 26th, 1865, was despatched.

"It is now suggested (contrary to Mr. Giffard's statements, supposed to have been founded upon official records) that the stamps delivered in August 1865, were not the 2c and 5c ordered in the previous April, but the 5c and 13c of the Boston type supposed to have been ordered nearly twelve months previously, by a requisition of which no one can find any trace, and which I still believe never existed."

The answer is:

Giffard now states that he evidently made an error in saying these stamps arrived in 1865 as he is convinced they did not arrive until 1866.

J. N. Luff never did accept this date as being of the arrival of the stamps at Honolulu, but suggests that is the date the stamps were turned over to the New York Agents.

L. Hanciau says they did not arrive until April or May 1866, and Major Evans calls attention that they were mentioned for the first time in *Le Timbre-Poste* June 15, 1866. My statement that they arrived in May or June 1866 was taken from what was accepted dates. I think they arrived at the Islands at the time mentioned by Hanciau and so stated. (See H. N. page 71.) However, Major Evans' assumption that the plates were ready before the order was placed could not be correct, as the order was not placed in the engravers' hands until June 22nd, 1865 with the above instructions which surely called for no proof under the circumstances.

It took Brickwood's letter fifty-six days to reach the engraver, and it was a physical impossibility for the stamps to be engraved, printed, perforated and shipped to reach the islands by August 31st—sixty-four days. Giffard was convinced he was wrong on this showing, and stated that it was not the habit to require proofs for stamps on account of the distance to be covered.

Major Evans also asks: "When were the stamps requisitioned in April 1865 delivered, if not in the following August?"

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Major Evans says it is difficult to account for these orders of numerals, if Brickwood had received a stock of 5c stamps from Boston. There has been no claim made that Brickwood received the Kalakaua stamps prior to these orders being placed, but when he did receive the stamps ordered by Kalakaua through Whitney, soon after he complained about the cost of carriage as the plates came with them and that he defaced the plates at the time.

The whole question is boiled down by Major Evans as to the time when this happened and whether Brickwood ever ordered any stamps from these plates.

He would have had to order them at this period for the stamps came with the plates, or he would have had to send the plates back to Boston to have reprints or reissues made.

We have the evidence of William M. Giffard, his son-in-law, that Brickwood had told him he never at any time ordered any stamps from these plates.

Giffard said if Brickwood had ordered any of these stamps the records would show, but as stated in his book they were regularly ordered prior to Brickwood's time, and he so classed them in his book. He mentions that when the plates were destroyed, the 5c and 13c original issue (see page 9) were laid away and a year or two later overprinted "specimen." He also refers to two original orders for 13c stamps. When comparing the color with the reprints see page 9, and he lists them on page 4 as

13c light red.
13c dark red.

That Whitney had to do with the order—that Brickwood had to pay for them, and that they were sold through the postoffice at face value both before and after being overprinted, are recognized facts; that they were not on sale during 1866 and 1867 is accounted for by a statement made in 1872 that they probably were laid away in bulk, and a statement made in 1893 coming direct from the Postmaster that they were laid away for several years.

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He had become much interested in my book on Hawaiian Numerals for I had written him and also asked him many questions regarding early postal affairs. While talking Numerals one day, I asked him about the letters he had written J. B. Moens in 1864-5. He had forgotten them, but asked to be shown copies of them to refresh his memory. I sent him L. Hanciau's article. Some weeks later he asked me to dine with him and bring my manuscript on numerals with me. During the evening he pictured to me his design of the 2 cent and the reason for it. I asked him about the 5c and 13c stamps and spoke of the destruction of the plates by Postmaster Brickwood. "Yes," said he, "I remember that well," and suiting his actions to the remark by raising his hands in the act of striking. "I remember the old man defacing them with a hand axe."

I told him this statement was of utmost importance as evidence, and while my book was concerned with Numerals alone, this statement of his would confirm the idea of writing a special chapter on these stamps. (See footnote, page 73, H. N.) I asked him particularly if he was still in the postoffice when he saw this done, and he stated he was and that he had quit the office late in 1865.

When "Hawaiian Numerals" was published I took a copy to him and asked him if he would read it carefully with particular regard to the statements made as emanating from him. He took the book and said he would go over it carefully and let me know. He was shortly afterwards called to the Islands and it was nearly two months before he wrote the letter dated July 10th, 1909 from which I quote:

"I have had your book in my room and have carefully read it over, and I do not see any of your statements regarding the past postal affairs of the Hawaiian Islands to which I could take exception."

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The catalogues still list these stamps as issued in 1864 (see Kohl, Senf, Scott) but I think the words reissues, etc., should be eliminated and all catalogues should from now on list the early Hawaiians in their order of production as shown in Hawaiian Numerals, pages 78, 79 and 80.—*Gibbons Weekly.*

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2. Amina . . . . . Lincke
3. Three Twins Selections . . . Hoschna
4. Barcarolle from "Tales of Hoffmann" . . . . . Offenbach
5. Midnight Sons Selection . . . Hubbell
6. Moving Day in Jungle Town . . . From "Follies of 1909"
7. The Chocolate Soldier Selections . Straus
8. Has Anybody Seen Kelly . . . From "The Jolly Bachelors"

Johnston's Orchestra.

At the banquet the speakers were Daniel Squire, Geo. H. Worthington, H. S. Adair, W. H. Barnum, C. E. Severn, A. W. Batchelder, E. M. Carpenter, Jos. S. Rich, A. C. Fernald, Henry Ades Fowler and P. M. Wolsieffer. Henry C. Crowell, president of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club, was toastmaster and Alvin Good read regrets from prominent philatelists throughout the country who were unable to attend. Mr. Squire, one of the greatest attorneys in the nation, made an admirable address in which he admitted that while he knew little of philately, it was evident that it was a study worth while to attract and hold the interest of brainy men.

Mr. Worthington as he rose to his feet was greeted with long-continued applause which had its climax in hearty cheers for the great philatelic benefactor. Mr. Worthington pointed his interesting recital in which he paid a warm tribute to the reliability of our dealers with a story which was greatly enjoyed.

Mr. Adair, secretary of the A. P. S., delivered a glowing appreciation of W. H. Barnum, a candidate for secretary of the national society and Mr. Barnum, who was tumultuously received, responded most wittingly to the expression of sentiment. Mr. Severn spoke of the evidences of permanence of philately afforded by the presence at the table of three of the ten founders of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club twenty years ago in the persons of Messrs. Worthington, Schneider and Hart; and also of the prestige gained by Cleveland as the home of the Worthington collection.

Mr. Batchelder was an able spokesman of the Boston Philatelic Society and extended greetings from that body. Mr. Carpenter then presented to the Cleveland club a handsome framed photograph of the members of the Boston Philatelic Society in session at their last meeting. In ringing words Mr. Fernald told of the welcome that awaited the delegates to the A. P. S. convention at Detroit.

Mr. Fowler revealed a bit of inside history of the A. P. S. that claimed the attention of his hearers and Mr. Rich scored in remarks full of depth and not lacking in humor. In a characteristic speech, Mr. Wolsieffer struck a responsive chord and was cheered to the echo.

After the regular exercises of the evening the members and guests mingled informally. Mr. Worthington was kept busy autographing names and not a few raised their voices in glad song with the assistance of the orchestra.

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Glad Surprise—Those who were guests at the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club's twentieth anniversary celebration at Cleveland recently realize more deeply the fullness of the hospitality and entertainment provided during the eventful days, now that a short space of time has intervened for serious reflection. The collectors who went to Cleveland with sanguine expectations certainly did not compass in anticipation the extent and the warmth of the favors showered upon all; and they are still extolling the glories of the ideal occasion. The Cleveland men planned a surprise that was carried out to perfection and they have established themselves in the affections of all who partook of their bounty. That the anniversary proved to be the philatelic event of the season is cheerfully testified to by those present who by experience are well able to discriminate. Observers such as Jos. S. Rich of New York; A. W. Batchelder of Boston and P. M. Wolsieffer of Chicago, say without reservation that the importance of the event cannot be emphasized too strongly. Cleveland may know that its efforts were appreciated in all their details.

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Many Present—The immediate effect of Cleveland's philatelic festival was the creation of a fine philatelic sentiment while its many suggestions will flower in the future. The moral force generated by the auspicious occasion will have its influence. It must be said frankly that Mr. Worthington's co-operation in the celebration loaned it a significance in the public and newspaper mind whose value cannot be over-estimated. The fact that Mr. Worthington's stamps were to be shown inspired a degree of interest in outsiders that lead them to feel that the opportunity was one too alluring to be neglected. The meeting really acquired a national importance and while the attendance was gratifying, there were a number of philatelic celebrities who were unable to make the trip much to their disappointment. General C. A. Coolidge, U. S. A., Detroit, had made all preparations to attend but was incapacitated by illness, almost at the last moment. H. N. Mudge, Chicago, was called home from New Orleans by an alarming despatch, telling of his wife's illness, just about as he was to leave that city for Cleveland. As it was, Cleveland entertained practically a national convention of philatelists.

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Exhibits—The exhibition in the afternoon was held in the spacious room, the meeting-place of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club. The United States albums containing Mr. Worthington's collection were on view; each book was on a small table in charge of an expert who described the stamps as the pages were turned by him. Mr. Worthington was present and was gratified to see with what keen interest his treasures were examined. The scene was one of animation and told its story of genuine enthusiasm eloquently. O. S. Hart's collection of New York five-cent stamps was on view and Mr. Carpenter exhibited Charles Lathrop Pack's specialized collection of the early issues of Victoria. Elsewhere, we are enabled to give fairly extended accounts of the collections that were the source of so much interest. The superb U. S. collection of W. G. Saxton, Canton, Ohio, was exhibited privately by its modest owner and it proved an acceptable addition to the rich philatelic entertainment of the eventful Cleveland sessions.

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Nothing Too Good—It would be invidious to single out certain members of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club for especial mention when all worked so faithfully and effectively for the pleasure and comfort of guests. The banquet was an exceptional one and non-members of the club were given complimentary tickets. In many ways it was evident that no expense was spared to make everybody happy and while it may not be the height of delicacy to mention the fact, it cost the Cleveland men a pretty penny to so admirably and lavishly serve the visitors; in return they have been given a place in the affections of the visitors that could not be bought by any sordid consideration. Cleveland has established a pre-eminent reputation as an entertainer and it in truth will be advertised hereafter by its loving friends.

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Regular Issue—Henry J. Crocker, San Francisco, has been working with good effect to establish the so-called re-issues, Hawaii five and thirteen-cent, 1864, ordinary white wove paper in their rightful classification, as regular issues. How Mr. Crocker succeeded in gaining for these stamps their rights is shown in another part of the paper. The American cataloguers at least hereafter will call these two stamps regular issues instead of re-issues as at present. Thus, may Mr. Crocker cut another notch on his gun which has already bagged so much vital information on the subject of Hawaiian stamps. It is proved that both the five and the thirteen-cent stamps were ordered before any succeeding five-cent stamp appeared. Further activities in Hawaiian philatelic research by Mr. Crocker will be recorded in coming numbers of the WEEKLY.

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Moving Up—The impending removal of the Scott Stamp & Coin Company, New York, from the old twenty-third street store which has been occupied for twenty years to 127 Madison Avenue, while an item of news, is significant in one way. The philatelic geography of the metropolis will be changed and the tendency to follow the "up town" movement in the great city is recognized in the commercial circles of stamps. We understand also that the downtown store will be changed to the new address. We are pleased to see that philately will have creditable representation in the fashionable shopping district of New York.

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Another—A. L. Schuyler, Clinton, Iowa, writes: "Referring to your editorial on the use of the Nesbitt patent lined envelope without embossed United States postage stamp, I take pleasure in adding information as to one in my collection. This answers the description contained in your editorial in every particular. The envelope is clearly one of Nesbitt production with patent lines, dated, cut with the standard full-letter knife, laid paper, exactly as the regular government issue, but without the government watermark. This cover bears the violet brown five-cent Nashville local in lower right hand corner and the stamp is canceled in blue, Nashville, Ten., Nov. 11, 1861. The envelope bears another impression of the date stamp nearer the usual place for the same. The envelope is addressed to Jackson, Miss." It is somewhat curious that both of these patent-lined envelopes without stamp impression that have been mentioned bear Confederate stamps.

OLD FAVOURITES.

"'Tis sixty years since" the first issue of New South Wales was produced, and there is recent convincing testimony that "age cannot wither nor custom stale its infinite variety." The Committee of the Royal Philatelic Society engaged upon the laborious task of the revision of the forthcoming work upon the stamps of Australia having drawn up a reference list of all the shades and varieties known to them, were desirous of seeing if their knowledge could be supplemented by the inspection of the collections of their fellow-members. With that object a meeting of the society was set apart on January 20th for a display by all members of their stamps of the first issue of New South Wales. Unfortunately, owing to the absence of one member who is abroad and of two others who were ill, three of the most important collections were not available, or the display would have been increased by many hundred specimens. Even with this drawback, however, the result may be taken as a record in the display of Sydney Views, of which no fewer than 2400 were exhibited in the room. We remember in quite olden days a friendly cynic who alluded to the then London Philatelic Society as having "plenty of science but no stamps"; but it is evident that this reproach, if ever justified (which we doubted at the time), is assuredly not so at the present time. We doubt if any philatelic society in the world could even approach such a magnificent display. There was not only quantity but quality. The stamps of H. R. H. the Prince of Wales, Messrs. Harvey Clarke, L. L. R. Hausburg, and many others included unused specimens —of which probably there were in all two hundred shown. Beyond this the general average of the specimens was magnificent as to the condition, and every Australian collector today knows the ease with which "rotten" specimens can be acquired and the corresponding difficulty in the acquisition of copies in immaculate condition. It was remarked that Sydneys ought to be cheap having regard to the quantity on view, but we are rather inclined to the opinion that,

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had one of the exhibitors been able to dispose of his stamps then and there, his comrades would have eagerly purchased them at record prices. The popularity and valuation of Sydney Views stands today higher than ever before, nor so long as philately exists are they likely to depreciate. Having regard to the vast number of copies extant, this is a remarkable assertion, but if we glance for a moment at the facts of the case it will not be difficult to vindicate their apparently anomalous popularity.

We will readily concede that we approach the subject with a strong partiality for the Sydney Views, having had a lifelong familiarity with them, but we venture to think that the reasons that have actuated in their favour in our own case will be largely apparent to many of our brother-collectors. In the first place the design of these stamps is absolutely unique, is redolent of the early history of the colony, and is a handsome and creditable exposition of the earliest colonial efforts in hand-engraving. Secondly, this issue has the saving merits of being—for stamps—of the respectable antiquity of sixty years of age, and there never has been nor can be any possibility of their reproduction owing to the destruction of the plates. Thirdly, the fact that every stamp having been separately engraved by hand the design of every one varies in its details, so that the advanced Philatelist has to acquire—in order to complete the eight plates and the two partially re-engraved lower rows of Plates I and II of the twopenny value—no less than 229 specimens. To acquire all these varieties in good condition is the task of a philatelic lifetime, and is obviously only within the reach of a few collectors. Fourthly, beyond this, the use of varying papers and pigments has evolved a large number of distinct varieties that almost every Philatelist—advanced or simple—is glad to acquire and reluctant to part with. In a list of the several papers employed and the marked shades of the different colours of the respective printings the writer has enumerated seventy-eight quite distinct varieties. Beyond this there are the notable variations on the plates—as hill unshaded, "CREVIT" omitted, no whip, etc., roughly speaking about a couple of dozen, and we have thus over one hundred varieties that are fairly desirable even by a "limited" specialist. It may indeed be stated that if a collector were to purchase haphazard, one by one, fifty Sydney Views, it is quite possible that he would not have two that were exactly alike in type, colour and paper. It is therefore abundantly clear that these stamps present so many points of interest as to invest them with a favour that is far higher than they apparently deserve in relation to the number of copies existing in relation to other stamps. Their popularity therefore rests upon solid ground, and we see nothing that can interfere with it in the future. Future generations of Philatelists may prefer the multiple watermarks of the present reign or the minute varieties of modern printings or of surcharges, but we have a shrewd suspicion that as long as stamp collecting continues to fascinate collectors, so long will early historic issues, such as the Sydneys and many others, hold first place in the affections of the Philatelist.—*London Philatelist.*

THE CLEVELAND EXHIBITION.

The following is a list of some of the most noteworthy items in the U. S. collection of Mr. Worthington but by no means is it to be assumed that it is a complete record of all the stamps deserving notice; still, it furnishes an idea of the range of richness afforded by the collection. It may be added that Mr. Worthington's collection of United States local stamps, one of the greatest known, was not on exhibition.

3 Alexandria P. M. Stamps; 2 on buff paper, 1 on blue; the 2 on buff are different types.

5c Baltimore. The only unsevered pair known; a single on white paper; a single on bluish paper—all on covers.

10c Baltimore, on cover.

8 Baltimore Envelopes.

2 Brattleboros; 1 nicely cancelled on cover. The Brattleboro postmark just touches the stamp at the bottom. The Paid cancellation extends onto the envelope.

1 Millbury.

1 original New Haven; also the different reprints.

A page of New Yorks, including the rare "R. H. M." initials.

Sheet of Providence.

St. Louis Postmasters. The display consists of 24-5c, 22-10c and 7-20c. This includes 6 reconstructed sheets, many of which cannot be duplicated. Many of the stamps are unused.

Of the Carrier stamps there are but few missing. Among the rarest might be mentioned:

Franklin Carriers, pair of unused, o. g.; a block of 16 black Horseman type unused; reconstructed sheet 10 red Horseman type.

Baltimore, 1c red on white paper, on cover.

Charleston, 2c pink.

Hopedale, 2c pink and 1 yellow or round type.

Louisville, entire sheet of 50 of No. 841.

New York, 3c white on cover. The 2c on 3c green glazed on cover, only copy known.

Philadelphia, stamps and envelopes complete.

The General Issues are all represented by blocks and sheets. Many shades in blocks of even the higher priced stamps. There are single copies of the rare 1851 imperf., 24c, 30c, 90c and a 30c on cover nicely canceled; a block of 4 of the 5c brick red o. g.; a full set of the Premier Gravures; block of 16, 3c pink unused; block of 4, 3c scarlet; a 5c and 30c grilled all over. Entire sheets of the 1c, 2c, 3c and 24c grilled; and a block of 28, 15c grilled. The 1869 issue are well represented by many blocks and shades, for instance you will see 4 blocks of 4 and 1 block of 9 of the 10c; 2 blocks of 9 and 1 of 4 of the 12c; of the 15c a block of 9, a block of 10 and a block of 20. Two blocks of the 90c. Of the inverts there is a used copy of each and an unused o. g. copy of the 15c and 30c. Many of the special printings are in blocks of 4. Some stamps are represented by a whole page of blocks of 4 in shades. There is a block of 10 of each of the Columbian stamps including the 4c Error. Since 1894 all stamps are in entire sheets, besides there are many pages of blocks of 4 all shades.

The collection contains the only sheet of the 2c Louisiana Purchase Imperf. horizontally. The Departments are all complete in blocks and many singles. There is a complete sheet of $20 State. There are also complete sets of the "Specimen" stamps, many of which contain the error "Sepcimen."

CHARLES LATHROP PACK'S EARLY VICTORIAS.

This wonderful collection is the amalgamation of the Henry Grey collection which was exhibited at a meeting of the Royal Philatelic Society, London, early last year and Mr. Pack's collection. All the various printings of the stamps of the first type were shown in scores and many of them are unused. Of the large stamp second type, there were reconstructed sheets, lithographed and engraved. Among the great rarities were a block of four of the two pence 1854 unused; the three pence, deep blue, laid paper, unused and the four pence rose, 1861, unused, with watermark, "five shillings." An unused copy of the excessively rare stamp in that condition, the six pence orange, 1861, is a joy to the beholder. The minor varieties such as the earlier types showing plate flaws are very interesting while the cancellations have received full attention. It would be difficult to imagine a completer or more impressive collection of these stamps than the remarkable holding by Mr. Pack.

O. S. HART'S SPECIALIZED NEW YORKS.

We shall present merely statistics of Mr. Hart's grand display of a single type, allowing them to tell their own story; as the figures sink into the minds of readers, a realization of the scope of the superb collection will follow. Of the five cent black, New York, there are 154 single copies off cover and 14 on cover; 20 pairs off cover and 10 pairs on cover, including one cover holding two pairs, besides two covers with strips of four, or a grand total of 236 stamps. The stamps are all identified as to their position on the plate except sixty copies. Many of the later impressions do not show any distinguishing marks, probably because the plate had become worn. There is one copy of the stamp initialed "R. H. M." signed by the postmaster, R. H. Morris, himself; this is catalogue number 17d and is a very rare stamp. As Mr. Hart is interested chiefly in plating the stamps, he does not give particular attention to the different papers. He has all the plate numbers except 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 29, 36 and 45, unless he has some of them among his unplaced copies. Mr. Hart says: "Mr. John N. Luff is particularly well informed on this stamp and I hope sometime, to see some notes from him concerning his investigations along that line. Mr. H. E. Deats has a very fine collection of New Yorks and Mr. Luff informs me that it lacks but six numbers of the complete plate. I should be glad to give any one interested the information I possess in regard to this interesting stamp and to identify copies sent me for inspection." It may be added that the original plate contained one hundred stamps, arranged in ten rows of ten stamps, showing minor varieties such as retouching and defective transfers. The double line variety is well known and occurs three times on the sheet.

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UNITED STATES.—Geo. S. Dates, Jr., shows us an interesting cover, with an unusual combination of split stamps. A letter was mailed in Brooklyn, N. Y., in December, 1895, for Swansea, England, with only a 2c stamp. This left 3c due, or with the penalty 6c. This has been placed on the cover, by cutting a 10c postage due stamp diagonally for five cents and a 2c postage due stamp horizontally for one cent, thus making up the required amount. The letter failed to find the party to whom it was addressed, and therefore was returned to writer, who undoubtedly was willing to pay the 6c to get the cover.

We are indebted to R. S. Swayze, William H. Coram, Herman W. Boers, Jas. Lewis Howe and others for information regarding precancels.

H. F. Metz reports having found a 2c claret wrapper of 1907, with 1894 watermark.

Bert R. Leer reports having found notable variations in the shape of the numerals on the current envelope, especially in the thickness of the figure where the upper point joins the horizontal part, and also in the shape and size of the letter.

CANAL ZONE.—Gerald D. Bliss and the New England Stamp Co. have shown us the new 8c, with the surcharge reading up, which completes the set, with this surcharge. Mr. Bliss says: "I do not quite understand the reference in No. 1001 regarding the two surcharges. I supposed it was a matter of record that the new issue of Panama stamps had been surcharged locally in the large type reading *down* on all excepting the 1c and the later supply with the N. Y. surcharge in small type reading *up*, being applied to all five denominations, the 8 as above stated being the last to appear and we have then the new issue, 2, 5, 8 and 10c with surcharge reading down and the 1, 2, 5, 8 and 10c with surcharge reading up, all of which were regular issues. At this writing I believe some of each are in stock on the Isthmus. We have every reason to believe that the small surcharge reading *up* will be the permanent type."

Adhesive.
Surcharge reading up.
8c violet and black.

ECUADOR.—Hermann Focke shows us a provisional, which has not hitherto been chronicled, though the stamp surcharged is the 25c violet Revenue stamp of "1907-1908." The overprint is similar to Scott's No. 155, type A44, the surcharge being in black, reading up.

Provisional Adhesive.
"Cinco Centavos" on 25c violet.

JAMAICA.—The New England Stamp Co., Hermann Focke and Philip Wolff have shown us the new 3d stamp, printed according to the new color scheme. These were heralded some time since, but were not issued at Kingston until March 15. They are on ordinary multiple paper.

Adhesive.
3d violet on yellow.

VICTORIA—Charles Lathrop Pack writes: "I have recently received from Victoria two interesting varieties that I have not seen mentioned or catalogued heretofore, the 1d on paper, watermark Crown and A, perf. 12½x11. This would be No. 315, if put in Gibbons catalogue. The other stamp is the 2d on the same paper, perf. 11x12x12½x12½ and then reperf. 12. Both the stamps are used copies and are considered by my correspondent as recent discoveries."

ZANZIBAR.—Philip Wolf reports having received the 6c rose of the current issue, with the rosettes in the watermark vertical instead of horizontal, as hitherto. The stamp was issued Feb. 16 or earlier. All the current Zanzibar stamps now have the vertical watermark, with the exception of the 12c purple.

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BOSTON, MASS., Apr. 2, 1910.

The 223rd (informal) meeting of the society will be held at the Club Room on Tuesday evening, April 5th, at 7.30 o'clock.

Besides the usual features, Mr. A. W. Batchelder has consented to tell us about the 25th anniversary celebration of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club at Cleveland, Ohio, at which he was present as our delegate; and Mr. Frank P. Brown has agreed to give us his impressions of the recent sale of the famous Seybold covers in New York. You will want to hear both of these talks.

Those remaining in town for the meeting will gather for supper as usual at the Crawford Café, 13 Brattle St., at 6 o'clock. Twenty members availed themselves of this opportunity on the last meeting night, and are ready to welcome twenty more. Come along!

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The meeting held Thursday, March 17th, 1910, was called to order with Vice President Ketch in the chair. The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with. The Secretary reported the death of the President, Frank J. Wilford.

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Several members spoke in appreciation of Pres. Wilford's valuable services to the New York Stamp Society.

Vice Pres. Ketch refusing to qualify as Pres. Wilford's successor, the Board of Trustees, pursuant to the Constitution and By-Laws, appointed Geo. A. Skinner to fill out the unexpired term. This admirable selection met with the hearty approval of the members and ensures the continuance of a vigorous and progressive policy.

It being an exchange night no business was taken up and the meeting was adjourned.

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The regular monthly meeting of the N. E. P. A. was held Tuesday evening, March 8, 1910, at 28 School St., Room 1, Boston, Mass. Meeting called to order at 8 p. m. by the President, H. Wesley Legg. Minutes of the Feb. meeting read and accepted. Treasurer's report read and accepted. The resignations of B. Harvey Wares, No. 21, W. N. Washburn, No. 32, and E. B. Power, No. 197, read and accepted. Messrs. B. L. Drew of Cambridge, Mass., C. F. Rothfuchs and H. B. Seagrave of Boston, Mass., and Chas. R. Lewis of Portland, Me., were elected to membership. The Secretary was instructed by a vote of the association to communicate with the B. P. S. Board of Government and if satisfactory terms could be made meetings of the society were in future to be held in the Boston Society's room. The election of officers postponed from the January meeting then took place. The association elected the officers for 1909 to serve for the ensuing year. The President appointed Messrs. Chas. H. Stone and Edwin F. Sawyer to serve on the Entertainment Committee. After stamp talk and exhibition of novelties the meeting adjourned at 10 p. m.

ALEX. P. BROWN, Sec.

NOTICE OF APRIL MEETING.

The regular monthly meeting of the N. E. P. A. for April, 1910, will be held in the rooms of the Boston Society, Tremont Building, Room 322, Boston, Mass., on Tuesday evening, April 12th, 1910. Meeting called to order at 8 o'clock p. m. All members who can are earnestly requested to attend.

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The 51st regular meeting was held March 9. Fifteen members and one visitor were present. The amendment to the Statutes proposed at the February meeting was considered but a substitute was proposed and adopted. The first paragraph of Article XI, Section 1, now reads: "The entrance fee shall be 25 cents and the annual subscription $1, payable in advance; and, if a member desires to subscribe for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY, 50 cents additional." On motion it was decided to change the meeting place to Room 210, Corcoran Building, 533-15th St., N. W.

After adjournment an Educational Contest was held which was followed by an Auction Sale.

The next meeting, April 13, will be "Exchange Night" and each member is urged to bring all his duplicates to the meeting. Let us make this the best meeting of the year by a large attendance. Notice change of meeting place.

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THE "SPECIMEN" STAMPS.

By L. HARALD KJELLSTEDT.

In our general rush to follow philately's fashion and fancies there are several bypaths which have escaped our notice but which have been industriously explored by a few who have had an eye on the future and the philatelic and financial possibilities of the neglected material picked up at the wayside at small cost. The beautiful proofs, essays and color trials of United States postage issues have long constituted one of these forgotten bypaths, but they are now coming to their own and the demand is already exceeding the supply as far as perfect specimens are concerned. From a philatelic point of view these proofs are of extreme interest and on account of the small number printed, probably not exceeding one thousand of any single value, they are an investment of the safest kind.

Nearly allied to the proofs are the finished stamps which we sometimes find overprinted with the words "Specimen" and "Cancelled." So little have we heard or read about these issues, and so little attention has been paid to them, that during late years they have, although sparingly, been found in sales books and approval selections with prices marked so low that in many cases they have bordered on the ridiculous. In Mr. Philip Kosack's excellent publication, the *Berliner Briefmarken Zeitung*, a German philatelic writer, Mr. Hanns von Zobeltitz, has an article entitled "Specimen Overprints," which contains much on the subject that has not heretofore appeared in print. It is from this article I have gathered the data here set forth, and which I trust may prove useful to American collectors.

If a subject ever was neglected it is that of the "Specimen overprints." In even such a source of universal philatelic knowledge as the three volumes of Moens' we find the "Specimens" mentioned only in connection with Hawaii, France and Italy. In 1890 the great German philatelist, Lindenberg, read a paper on the Specimen stamps before the Berlin Philatelic Club. In this paper the eminent author emphasized that collectors are *wrongly* considering the Specimen stamps as being of less value. Theodore Haas, in his "Lehrbuch der Briefmarkenkunde," states that the "Specimen" overprint is placed on such stamps which, although current, are not intended for use, and puts them in the same category with stamps cancelled to order, reprints, etc. The English and American philatelic press have had very little to say on the subject.

The oldest "Specimen" overprint known to date is that found on the 1 and 2 pence English wrappers which in April, 1841, took the place of the Mulready envelopes. This is simply mentioned as being of historical interest, the scope of this article being confined to the Specimen overprints on adhesive postage stamps. With the exception of Great Britain, it seems that the first "Specimen" overprints on postage stamps did not come from official sources but were issued by the printing establishments which held the contracts for the manufacture of the stamps. It was especially the London printing house of de la Rue which issued such specimens, partly as proofs and partly for presentation as well as for their own files and records. Amongst these are found imperforate specimens of stamps belonging to perforated issues. According to notes found in the *Illustr. Briefm. Journal* of 1882, the word "Cancelled" alternated with the word "Specimen" on the de la Rue overprints issued in the seventies. Unless the firm de la Rue should throw its business files open for investigation, it will naturally be impossible to state to what extent these overprints were used. A few items from this period are quoted:

Ceylon—1863-67 5p red brown, 6p black brown; 1867 2p yellow; 1872 96c brown gray, all with small black overprint "Specimen".

Hongkong.—Issue of 1862 with diagonally hand stamped "Specimen" in red. Issue 1863-65 with horizontal, small black overprint "Specimen," on very glossy and highly surfaced paper. Issue 1863-65 on ordinary paper with diagonal black overprint in heavier and larger type.

Jamaica.—Issue 1861-63 with larger as well as smaller black overprint "Specimen," perforated and imperforate. 3p and 1sh are also found with the word "Specimen" written by hand. The 2sh of 1875 is found with small black overprint "Specimen."

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Natal.—Issue of 1874. 5sh brown violet with large blue overprint "Cancelled".

Italy.—Issue from 1863 to 1867 (surface print) with black or blue overprint "Saggio" (proof) in 4 types, horizontal and sharp, but also diagonal and irregular as if made with rubber stamp.

While de la Rue used the overprints "Specimen" and "Cancelled," it has been learned from reliable sources that the other large British printing house, Perkins Bacon, used to send out to foreign Post Departments sheets of samples of their stamp printings without any overprints whatsoever.

The Specimen stamps mentioned above, with the exception of Italy, all originate with British Colonies, but the mother country, Great Britain, has made use of the Specimen overprint still earlier. The 1898 edition of Ewen's catalogue gives 1853 as the earliest date. Of the older issues the following items are known:

Great Britain.—1847-54, 1sh green, with red, and black, horizontal, sharp overprint "Specimen," 3 mm. high and 20 mm. long. It is stated that 5000 copies were overprinted thus. Issue 1855-57, 4p rose, with vertical, sharp overprint "Specimen," 22 mm. long.

After this followed, according to the German author, two types of Specimen overprints used up to the issue of 1872-73. One is in heavy type, 16½ mm. long, and the other in very thin type and 18 mm. long. Both are in black and horizontal. Besides these there are the black or gray, sometimes heavier and sometimes thinner, horizontal overprints, 15 mm. long, found on the issues following as well as on the official stamps. On the 10sh 1r official of 1885 has been found a peculiar overprint in large thin type, 20 mm. long. There are without doubt other "Specimen" varieties from this period. As every post office, on the appearance of a new issue, receives one copy of each value, the number of "Specimens" must be quite considerable, but at the present day they appear to be very scarce. If the British overprints, here mentioned, all emanate from official sources, or if some were samples from the printing establishments, is a question which remains to be answered.

Canada.—Issue of 1851, on India paper and cardboard, with straight or inclined Specimen overprints in yellow, red, green, and black, are undoubtedly proofs from Rawson, Wright, Edson, Hatch of New York, although some sources claim that they originate with Perkins, Bacon & Co.

Nova Scotia.—Issue of 1860, with red, and green diagonal Specimen overprints, are undoubtedly proofs from the printing of Perkins, Bacon & Co.

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(It is possible to easily read between the lines of this clipping. It is from the daily press sent out from our National capital as a news despatch. Thanks to M. A. Lesser for submission of same.—W. O. W.)

WASHINGTON, March 31.—The report of the American Commission to Liberia was transmitted to Congress today by President Taft, with a special message. After reviewing the internal dangers which threaten Liberia, as well as those which crowd upon her from the outside, the commission has made the following recommendations:

(1.) That the United States extend its aid to Liberia in the prompt settlement of her boundary disputes.

(2.) That the United States enable Liberia to refund her debt by assuming as a guarantee for the payment of obligations under such an arrangement, the control and collection of Liberian customs.

(3.) That the United States lend its assistance to the reform of the internal finances.

(4.) That this nation aid in organizing and drilling a competent constabulary or frontier police.

(5.) That the United States establish and maintain a research station there.

(6.) That the United States reopen the question of establishing a naval coaling station in Liberia.

For what it has been able to accomplish, the government of the little republic and those responsible for it, are commended highly by the commission. The Liberians have advanced in their civilization, and the native element has not had a retrograde influence. On the other hand, the civilization of the nation has done much toward advancing the tribes, the commission says.

Attention is called to the fact that the Liberians never have resorted to revolution, and the nation is not, as has been said, bankrupt. Liberia, while attempting to solve her internal problems, has become involved in external ones, which are very threatening to her integrity.

In summarizing the conditions there, the commission says, that help from the United States is demanded, as Great Britain and France are not in position to give disinterested assistance. Suggestions have also been made to the Liberian government by the commission, but the whole situation is summed up as very hopeless for the little nation, unless the United States steps in and helps out.

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There is first of all the principality of Liechtenstein, situated between Austria and Switzerland, which has but 9650 inhabitants spread over 159 square kilometres.

This country, whose prince and all of whose chief officials reside at Vienna, has but five post offices served by the Austrian post. It has no stamps of its own and utilizes those of Austria, a bizarre arrangement in view of the fact that they bear the effigy of a strange sovereign. [Translated from *Petit Journal Philatélique* by M. A. Lesser who notes (1) that Liechtenstein has issued, between 1879 and 1903, twenty-two varieties of fiscal stamps; (2) that the Republic of Andorra, located in the Pyrenees between France and Spain, with a population of 6000 and an area of 175 square miles, has no stamps of any kind whatsoever.]

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—Clippings received with thanks from M. A. Lesser (3), C. C. Klumph and J. Rausch.

—The *Philadelphia Stamp News* is a Vol. 1, No. 1, with Percy M. Mann, the president of the Phila. Stamp Club, as editor, manager and publisher. The number before us is dated April 1, but we sincerely trust that the new paper is not published in honor of the day but will be a valuable asset to philatelic journalism. The initial number is an eight-paged, sixteen column publication and will be issued weekly from 1708 N. 18 St., Philadelphia, Pa. A sample copy will no doubt be forthcoming on request and we wish the new paper every form of success.

—"An editorial in last week's issue states, that our 'branch down-town store will be changed to the new address' giving the impression that we shall discontinue the down-town branch. This is an error, as our down-town branch is moving to a new down-town location of its own at *207 Broadway,* diagonally opposite the present down-town location. We shall still continue to maintain both up-town and down-town locations."—SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.

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—A new philatelic monthly has just appeared from Tilton, N. H. It is known as ***The Collectors Advocate***, "a monthly publication for a person with a hobby". The new publication consists of eight pages with cover, is neatly printed, and will, we hope, make good. A sample copy can doubtless be obtained on request.

COMMUNICATION.

(We do not hold ourselves responsible for the views expressed by our readers. Our columns are always open for communications of general interest.—Ed.)

March 29, 1910.

Editor, MEKEEL'S WEEKLY:

May I ask you to kindly make room in your columns for the following statement in reply to the charges by Mr. Chas. A. Nast, on pages 114 and 115 of the *Stamp Journal* for March?

Had Mr. Nast been content to confine his statements and comments to facts I should have ignored the whole matter: as it is I merely wish to controvert his palpable mis-statements in such a manner as to bring them to the attention of the entire membership of the American Philatelic Society, which can only be done in this way, as yours is the only paper to reach all of the members:

1st. The paragraph quoted was in no way a part of the report of the Committee on Official Journal, which occupies less than five lines of type (*vide American Philatelist,* p. 57).

2nd. It *was* a part of my address in support of MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS and, as such, a subject upon which any member had a perfect right to express himself.

3rd. It in no way criticizes Mr. Nast (either for adopting a *nom de plume* or otherwise) but is distinctly addressed to "the Editor of *Redfield's.*"

4th. Mr. Nast is mistaken in his assertion "that the convention promptly voted to strike it all off the records." It is true that such a motion was made; I do not think that it was seconded, but I am not sure as to that. However, *no such motion was passed.* It did not even come to a vote and, upon these points, the Secretary's records will bear me out.

5th. If Mr. Nast thought my remarks unparliamentary he had his remedy in an appeal to the chair to rule me out of order. *He did exercise this right,* but, the chair not sustaining him, I continued my remarks.

6th. In response to urgent appeals from several of the officers and influential members present, said appeals being based solely upon the inexpediency of "washing our dirty linen in public," as would have been the result if my address had been printed, I agreed, after being assured that they in no way questioned the truth or accuracy of my statements, to withdraw, at the next session of the convention, all that portion of my address criticizing Mr. Nast's actions during the campaign over the Official Journal.

This I did in reply to an appeal made to me to do so, by one of the officers of the society, in open convention.

7th. I deeply regret having so withdrawn my remarks: I can now see that it would have been better had I insisted upon their standing and thus have forced the convention to have voted to expunge them had it not desired to endorse them. I had no fear of any such vote having been registered then, nor have I now.

8th. The opinion which Mr. Nast (or anyone else who seeks to accomplish his ends by the methods that he made use of at the time in question) may have of me is a matter of absolute indifference to me.

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EDITORIAL.

He Likes Our Stamps—We have received the following letter from that keen student of United States issues, living in England, whose queries concerning guide-lines on the 1894-95 issues seemingly were to remain unsolved, until they were repeated, with the result that they were answered acceptably in 994 of this paper. He says: "I am astonished that collectors on your side give so little attention to the guide lines on U. S. issues. I think the stamps showing them make a most interesting collection, quite apart from the normal specimens. For instance:—In the original colours of the 1895 issue, from the plates prepared on or after Dec. 4th of that year, there is the possibility of finding no fewer than 8 varieties of each of the 13 values of the series. Think of it—104 varieties of the one issue, and if the 13 normal stamps be added, a total of 117; and then the colour change of 1898 as a further addition. By this mail I am sending another query addressed to the editor. Perhaps you will kindly let me know, quite candidly, whether such questions as I have sent you are fair requests, seeing that they perhaps do not admit of reply off-hand from common knowledge. Remember, that if you say 'Yes' then a further installment will be forwarded, for there are quite a number of things that I want to know about U. S. issues."

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The Question—The question referred to by our correspondent is embraced in the following remarks from him and we trust that it will meet the notice of Mr. Morris in particular who so happily illuminated the darkness previously:

"If it were not for the fact that you admit that the replies are 'very valuable to all students of U. S. stamps' I should be diffident about sending further similar queries, as my attempts in this way appear to have necessitated a lot of research work, and this of course means the occupation of valuable time, but if, or when, my turn comes round again, I should be glad to have the following made clear.

1895 issue, plates prepared on or after Dec. 4th, 1895.

On plates with 200-on, there 'was a horizontal guide line dividing the panes of 100 into two parts.' Certified by reply 2, b, in M. W. S. N. No. 994.

On the plates with 400-on, there was no horizontal line through the panes. Certified by reply 1, a, in No. 994.

I want to know:—Why the horizontal 'guide' line *through the panes* was used in the former, and not in the latter case."

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All Right—We feel complimented by the depth of interest displayed in our stamps by this English friend and we are anxious to meet all of his expectations of knowledge that unnaturally he assumes is possessed by at least a few of the U. S. students of the stamps he so much appreciates. So, say we, send on the questions, which we calmly shall refer publicly to that genius for research, Chas. R. Morris, Washington, and ask him to attend to them. He should expect to suffer in the interest of the cause, if needs be.

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Over a Half Century Ago—In *Blackwood's Edinburgh Magazine* for December 1856, in the course of an article, Our Indian Empire, we find the following account which has all the interest attaching to descriptions of early postal days or means and methods; moreover, it has a seasonable flavor in view of the elevation recently of that brilliant philatelist: Mr. Stewart-Wilson, the Director-General of the Post Office of India to membership in the Viceroy's Council: "Thanks to the Commission appointed by Lord Dalhousie, the postal system in India has been freed from the great defects which formerly adhered to it, and has been assimilated to the most approved systems existing in Europe. Over all India there now prevails a uniform single rate of postage of half an anna for letters, and of an anna for newspapers, irrespective of distance; and at the same time, the convenient system of postage stamps has been substituted for that of cash payments. Recently, too, the Home Government have consented to the adoption of a uniform rate of postage, payable in one sum, on letters between England and India,—the rate being sixpence per half-ounce. Regulations of the kind add so much to the happiness and convenience of the people that they are not to be tested solely by the principles of profit and loss; nevertheless we may state that since their adoption, the correspondence has increased upwards of twenty-five per cent., and the loss of revenue has been less than was expected. It is not easy to realise the extent of these postal reforms: Rowland Hill has been quite eclipsed in India. In England a single letter is conveyed to any part of the British Isles (at the utmost a distance of 700 miles) for a penny. But in India, a single letter is conveyed over distances immeasurably greater—from Peshawur on the borders of Afghanistan to the southernmost village of Cape Comorin, or from Debrooghur in Upper Assam to Kurrachee at the mouth of the Indus—distances of two thousand miles—for three farthings! Three years ago the postage chargeable on the same letter in India would have been a shilling or sixteen times the present charge. Again, since the uniform rate of postage has been established between England and India, the Scotch recruit, whose regiment happens to be established on our farthest frontier at Peshawur, may write to his mother at John o'Groat's House, and may send his epistle free to her for six-pence. Three years ago the same sum would not have carried his letter beyond Lahore!"

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Help the Quarterly—H. S. Adair, secretary of the American Philatelic Society, believes that if the members of the American Philatelic Society fully realized how much depends upon their co-operation for the success of the Quarterly in a literary sense, they would not fail to meet the necessity. Mr. Adair as editor of the Quarterly of the American Philatelic Society wants contributions on stamps or their more intimate suggestions and on questions affecting or pertinent to the policy or welfare of the society. Now that the train of embarrassments attending the launching of the publication seems to be checked, the Quarterly should receive more attention from those whose influence and example would be helpful. There are many members on the list of the American Philatelic Society who are competent to entertain and instruct through the columns of the society's own magazine and the editor of the Quarterly hopes to stimulate them so that they will take a personal interest in the publication at a time when literary aid is most needed. We understand that Mr. Adair is making personal appeals to writers and students and we hope that they will be effective in results. Thus far, the response is not so hearty or encouraging as it should be, even though favorable indications are not lacking. Mr. Adair mentions with satisfaction that Major Evans has favored him with a manuscript, a kindly example that should inspire emulation by our writers. The Quarterly must be made a vehicle that will carry credit for the American Philatelic Society and a requirement is distinction in a literary sense of the contents; this end will be achieved only by the working interest of writers among the members, in the publication.

Stamps in the Papers—There is an abundance of matter of interest to philatelists just at present appearing in the newspapers. For instance, among the clippings at hand is one from the Chicago *Tribune*, ending with the words: "These colored labels soon began to attract the notice of the curious, and early in the '50s a few individuals here and there were forming stamp collections. But it was not until 1861 that the hobby attracted public attention, developing in the following year into a veritable craze." An account of the house of Thurn and Taxis with reference to its postal monopoly now restricted to Bavaria is given in a syndicate letter. A London newspaper tells of "human letter-boxes." Postmen stand beside letter-boxes that are being repaired and motion the bewildered people with letters to drop them into big bags opened by the postmen. And so on.

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SWEDISH SOCIETY'S ANNUAL REPORT.

The annual report of the Secretary of the Philatelic Society of Sweden, for 1909, was read at the society's 418th meeting at Stockholm, Feb. 8. From this report we find that 135 new members were received during the year, 29 resigned, 8 died and 6 were dropped from the rolls for non-payment of dues. When it is taken into consideration that the total active membership at the close of the year was 954 the small number dropped (6) is truly remarkable and speaks well for the constant enthusiasm and activity which characterize the Swedish national society. Its membership list is still headed by the Crown Prince of Sweden and the Prince of Wales, a double distinction shared by no other philatelic society. The chief literary work of the year has been devoted to the new, highly specialized catalogue of the postage issues of Sweden, which is now drawing towards completion. In order to stimulate the general interest in stamp collecting, the society published in book form a Swedish translation of Mr. Fred J. Melville's little book "Postage Stamps worth Fortunes." The translation was made by L. H. Kjellstedt, the society's American representative, from a copy specially revised for the purpose by Mr. Melville. At the exhibition at Amsterdam, the Swedish society was awarded the highest prize in the literary section. The society's publication, *The Philatelic Journal of Sweden,* was issued in ten, 20 and 24 page numbers and under the able management of its editor-in-chief, Mr. Hilmer Djurling, F. R. P. S., it not only paid expenses but a surplus of nearly $100 was turned over to the society. The office, and the library and reading room of the society, are kept open every week day from 1 to 8 p. m. attended by a lady cashier and an amanuensis who are in the regular employ of the society. The current numbers of about 40 different philatelic periodicals are found on the reading tables. The Stockholm headquarters have a club license and lunches a la carte and refreshments are served to visiting members and their friends as well as after the regular meetings.

THE STAMP MARKET.

By Senax

A study of the European stamp journals reveals the keen pursuit of Continental high values everywhere, and good prices prevail.

British colonials of course hold sway over a wide field, and in this realm it is always interesting to note what other people are doing. The special line of one dealer consists in buying and selling the shilling values of the colonies, and is probably not a bad line to take up.

Colonial King's Heads seem to be coming more prominently into notice each succeeding month; current Sierra Leones, for example, have the appearance of being a good selling item.

Stamps that have "had their day"—instances will readily occur to mind—may of course be badly wanted by the coming generation; such issues are occasionally enquired for, and should be stocked, if in moderation.

The sight of an advertiser taking up a whole column to advertise second quality stamps, is a novel incident, yet the stamps sell.

Looking through a year's numbers of an American journal, one is struck with the steady rise in price of many medium and better class stamps of that country, and not a few old familiar figures have been swamped by the rising tide.

Some of the Paraguay provisionals of 1908 are said to be "extremely rare."

5c seems an odd value for a parcel post stamp, and this denomination of the Tunis Parcel Post set does not seem to be often employed.

Recent issues of Crete are finding their way, used, across the Continent, and presently there may be more uniformity of prices. Some of the provisionals seem costly.

Recent pictorials of U. S. A. are obtainable now in quantity, but perfect copies are not too plentiful; I got only 22 out of an exchange lot of 150 submitted.

India is a field where one may come across stamp gatherers who are able to send nice lots of Persia, Madagascar 1904-08, Zanzibar, some Maldives, etc. These sorts are worth hunting for.

The United States is a good market in which to sell better class stamps of that country; the local demand is great and good prices are given.

Salvador, 1906-08, are sets easily obtained in used condition, and experience proves that they sell freely.

Austrian Unpaids in dazzling red are in good demand since they make a brave show; the 10h is plentiful, but perhaps these are best purchased in sets.

The recent 30c Unpaid of Belgium provides one with another will-o'-the-wisp to be pursued, though he ought not to take much catching.

Ecuador triangulars of 1908 should have the same fascination as their similarly shaped confréres of Liberia, and some trans-Atlantic correspondent might be set to work to secure for us any that may come his way.

French correspondence is interesting just now on account of the bundles of postally used pictorial French Colonials that are ofen offered. French West African seem scarcer, but the other sorts are very acceptable.

The Levant, with all its offices, is a good field for study, research, and—acquisition.

Perfect copies of stamps, in the hands of a conscientious customer, stand a chance of selling very quickly, for if they prove to be better specimens than he already possesses, he will be likely to take them at sight.

Experience seems to show that the bad copy *must* be cheap, and then it will sell; the very fine copy *may* be dear, and it also will sell, for many a collector will take the fine copy on the sheet before him, sometimes apparently with an eagerness that leaves its price out of consideration for the moment, for fear the chance of possessing so perfect a specimen should not again quickly present itself.—*Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly.*

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Mr. C. L. Pack,	254
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UNITED STATES.—D. D. Berolzheimer reports having seen the current 1c manila envelope and the 1c and 2c wrappers, the latter red brown, on 1894 paper.

Herman W. Boers shows us three wrappers of the current set, with a white line across the value, in a different place on each of the three stamps. On one it touches the left edge of the "N" of "Cent"; the second divides the "E" of the same word, while the third crosses just to the left of the "C".

The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the current 1c wrapper with the double impression of the stamp.

We are indebted to S. L. Davis and others for information regarding precancelled stamps.

C. H. Williams shows us copies of the 50c Entry of Goods, first issue, perforated, with a peculiarity not previously mentioned, as far as we know. A thin colored line runs from the scrolls outside lower edge of the curved tablet, containing "Entry of Goods", runs across the tablet in a line with the right hand line of "N", and into the lathework above, terminating in the lower right hand part of the shading of the "5". This line is quite marked, as though caused by a defect in the plate, and not by any foreign substance which had accidentally fallen on the plate.

William F. Palmer reports having a block of eight stamps, in two rows of four, from the left hand upper corner of Plate No. 5394, the third and fourth stamps of the first row having the circle on the left hand "2".

BOLIVIA.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 1c value of the new commemorative set, the portrait being that of Miguel Betanzos.

Adhesive.

1c pale red brown and black.

CAYMAN ISLANDS.—Mr. Schachne shows us the ¼d card correctly described in No. 927 and the 1d referred to in 986. Senf endeavors to illustrate the ¼d but fails. His cut is about right for the 1d. The ¼d has an oval stamp and the 1d a rectangular one. Both are noticeable owing to the absence of the King's portrait. The headlines are a close copy of those found on the first issue of St. Christopher.

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GABON.—The New England Stamp Co. has now shown us the balance of the new series of stamps, the first of which was chronicled in No. 1001. Like the other French Colonial stamps there are three distinct designs. One of them has already been described, the four stamps being of this design, and also the 4c and 20c. The other centime values have an oblong design showing a view of some native scene framed by palm trees. This is a beautiful design, though spoiled by the colors in which most of the stamps are printed. The third design shows the portrait of a native princess, and forms a complement to the warrior on the lower values. In this last design the words "Congo Francais—Gabon" appear at the top of the stamps, while in all the others it is at the bottom.

All the stamps are printed in a series of ultra colors and shades, similar to late printings for other French Colonies. We give the whole set for convenience of reference.

Adhesives.

1c red orange and violet brown.
2c dark red brown and black.
4c dark blue and violet.
5c blue green and olive gray.
10c carmine and red.
20c black and brown.
25c dark blue and pale brown.
30c black and red.
35c black and pale green.
40c violet brown and pale blue.
45c red and violet.
50c blue and black.
75c orange red and violet.
1fr dark brown and brown.
2fr carmine and brown.
5fr dark blue and brown.

GERMANY.—Mr. Schachne has just received the 3x3pf card with space at left for correspondence, also a 3pf on 2pf, both having the rectangular watermark. The 2pf stamp is cancelled with the usual four heavy bars.

Post Cards.

3x3pf brown on blue; T. 3.
3pf brown on 2pf blue on blue.

INDIA.—*Cochin.*—Mr. Schachne shows us the current 2 pies red changed from buff to white paper. Senf catalogs this as issue of 1900 but we feel sure that the date of issue is very much later than 1900.

ITALY.—The 10c carmine on pale buff and 5c green and 10c carmine on gray postal cards of the divided face variety are just at hand from Mr. Schachne with new date "'09"

JAMAICA.—We are indebted to J. A. Galbraith for information regarding the new 3d stamp recently chronicled.

KIAUTSCHOU.—The 4c has now appeared on watermarked paper. The 10c is the only value now lacking in the watermarked set.

LOURENZO MARQUES.—C. B. Bostwick reports having seen No. 44, on the lower half, with the surcharge incomplete, only the "o" of "Lourenzo" showing, though the other words are complete.

NEW HEBRIDES.—The French authorities have now issued stamps with the word "Condominium", in conformity with the agreement with the British Government. The values and the type are the same as the first issue, the stamps of New Caledonia being used, except that "Condominium" is printed at the bottom. The surcharge is in black on the 5c, 10c and 50c and in red on the others.

Adhesives.

5c pale green and black.
10c carmine and black.
25c blue and red on greenish.
50c carmine and black on orange.
1fr blue and red on yellow green.

QUEENSLAND.—The *Postage Stamp* reports that the 5d value has now appeared on Crown A paper, the current set with this watermark now comprising 15 values.

SALVADOR.—Hermann Focke also shows us the new 5c value, previously chronicled.

In regard to the 1908 issue of postage due stamps of Salvador, Mr. Focke writes:

"I beg to bring to the attention of the readers of the WEEKLY that for some time past a great number of rather poor counterfeits of the 1908 issues of postage-due stamps of Salvador—surcharged 'Deficiencia de Franqueo' have been dumped on the stamp market by dealers all over the country, and I presume that not even the dealers themselves are aware of the fact that they are selling bogus stamps at comparatively high prices.

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"Now as to the surcharge itself, the counterfeits will easily be distinguished from the originals by the types of letters employed, and the way of printing which on the originals was done by machine, and by hand on the counterfeits. The 2nd issue, with horizontal surcharge, furthermore differs in the following points: The height of the letters is 1½ cm. on the counterfeits, as against 2 cm. on the originals, generally the words are curved, the "A" of Deficiencia and "O" of Franqueo being about ½cm, above the line, and the printing of both appears rather blurred as against the clear print of the originals.

"It will be easy for anybody to distinguish the spurious stamps from the originals with the above information, and although my warning will most likely come too late for a good many collectors, it certainly deserves publicity for others that may intend to purchase these stamps in the future."

Hermann Focke sends us a new value of the new series, the color being a very peculiar shade of orange red. The design is the same as those previously noted.

Mr. Focke also shows us a 1c envelope of the 1906 issue, surcharged "1910" in black, the 2c, 3c and 5c envelopes having received the same surcharge. Mr. Focke is also informed that the 3c and 5c envelopes of the same series, surcharged "1908", with additional surcharge of "1910".

Mr. Focke also reports having the 10c stamp of the 1907 issue on paper watermarked honeycomb. The 1c, 2c, 3c and 5c values have been previously noted on this paper.

Adhesives.

New Issue.
6c orange red and black.
Issue of 1907, on Watermarked Paper.
10c violet and black.

Provisional Envelopes.

Issue of 1906, Surcharged "1910" in Black.
1c green and black.
2c carmine and black.
3c yellow and black.
5c ultramarine and black.
Same Issue, Surcharged "1908" and "1910" in Black.
3c yellow and black.
5c ultramarine and black.

C. B. Bostwick, supplements the list of perforated envelope stamps given in No. 906, by the 3c perforated "2". In 906 were noted the same stamp punched "3", "5", "$", with two different stars, and with "5" with a horizontal row of four holes. These are not catalogued by either Scott or Gibbons.

URUGUAY.—The 5c value of the new printing, as announced in No. 924, has been shown us by the New England Stamp Co. The design is the same as Scott's No. 152, but the color is changed.

Adhesive.

5c slate blue.

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age, form of government and other items of general interest.

Included with each set is a folder entitled "Pleasant Lessons Learned from Stamps—A Little Talk with the Boys and Girls," by Henry N. Mudge, President, American Philatelic Society.

We also have in preparation similar sets of Australia and China.

These sets are being distributed free in places and manners which will do the most good for philately.

To carry on the work thus broadly outlined, requires money and lots of it, and it is the earnest request of this committee that each and every philatelist donate as liberally as he possibly can, as without further contributions the present plans will be cut short just on the point of attaining success.

Can we not depend on you for an increase to our working fund in order that the work we have in hand may be carried to successful fruition?

Educational Committee, Governing Board,

P. M. WOLSIEFFER, Chmn.
HUGH M. CLARK, Sec. & Treas.
IVER R. JOHNSON.

CHICAGO BRANCH REPORT.

March 9, 1910.

The 283rd regular meeting of Chicago Branch Number One, American Philatelic Society, was held in the clubrooms of the Chicago Philatelic Society on the evening of March 9, 1910. President Whitaker called the meeting to order with the following members present: Baldwin, Bloss, Bowker, Clark, Dahl, Fowler, Lindquist, Lord, Rogers, Roterberg, Severn, Whitaker, Wolsieffer.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read. A communication was received from the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club announcing the candidacy of Mr. W. H. Barnum for the office of secretary of the parent organization and requesting the endorsement of this branch. The Secretary was instructed to write that the branch desires to take no political stand of any kind at the present time. After much informal discussion of various topics including the work of the Educational Committee, the meeting adjourned at 10.00 p. m.

Next meeting April 13th, 1910.

HUGH M. CLARK.

PACIFIC BRANCH No. 3.

Jan. 19, 1910.

The regular meeting was held on this date at the Old Poodle Dog Restaurant, Bush St. A dinner preceded the usual business session.

Ten members and one visitor were present. An informal discussion concerning the coming exhibition was postponed for later deliberation.

The special feature of the evening was an exhibition of the stamps of Corea by Mr. William J. Gardner. His collection includes the stamps of that country from their adoption to the present. All types, denominations, colors, varieties of paper, perforations and surcharges were represented, together with numerous official freaks and vagaries that gladden the soul of the advanced collector and stimulate his competitors to renewed activity.

For the better elucidation of the collection, Mr. Gardner prepared and read a paper upon the Corean issues from their beginning in the early 80's. His essay was a masterly review of the subject, being historical as well as critical and descriptive, and leaves little of anything untouched upon the postal issues of the "Hermit Kingdom." Mr. Gardner's work is deserving of broader circulation than it can receive in San Francisco, and it is hoped that this latest addition to the literature of this society may receive the attention it greatly demands.

After reading the paper an informal discussion was held by the assembled members.

With a vote of thanks the meeting was adjourned.

ROBERT E. COWAN, Sec.

PHILADELPHIA BRANCH No. 18.

The regular meeting of Philadelphia Branch No. 18, A. P. S., was held on March 15th, 1910. President Hahman in the chair. After the routine business was transacted the Secretary read a letter from Cleveland Branch No. 30, requesting endorsement of Mr. W. H. Barnum for Secretary of the American Philatelic Society. A letter from Mr. Chas. R. Morris of Washington, D. C. also asking for endorsement for the same office was read. A motion was unanimously carried placing both letters on the table and resolving that Philadelphia Branch No. 18 make no endorsement of candidates this year. There being no further business proposed the meeting was adjourned.

A. F. HENKELS, Sec. & Treas.

COLORADO STATE BRANCH No. 22.

DENVER, COLO., March 14, 1910.

The regular meeting of the Colorado State Branch was held in their room in the Y. M. C. A. Building on the evening of March 12th, with a nearly full attendance of the Denver members and a number of visitors.

The various tickets proposed for the coming campaign were discussed and it was the sense of this meeting that it be left to each member to vote according to his own wishes. It was also the sense of this meeting that this branch is heartily in favor of Chicago for the convention in 1911.

The following resolution was also passed unanimously:

Resolved that it is the sense of this branch that there should be no official organ in the future; that the society should publish a monthly circular to be sent to each member gratis.

After an informal discussion of various topics, the meeting adjourned at 10.30 p. m.

JOSEPH S. DAVIS, Sec.

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Meetings first (informal) and third (regular) Tuesdays, Room 322, Tremont Bdg., 7.30 P. M.

BOSTON, MASS., April 9, 1910.

The 224th (regular) meeting of the society will be held at the club room on WEDNESDAY evening, APRIL 20th, at 7.30 o'clock. This change in night is made advisable because of April 19th being a local holiday.

The entertainment will consist of an exhibition of counterfeits, proofs and essays, with an address by Mr. J. M. Bartels. The proofs and essays are the well known collection of Mr. E. H. Mason and are a most interesting and beautiful exhibit. Mr. Bartels is the counterfeit detector of the American Philatelic Society, and will no doubt give many points out of his fund of information along this line.

There will also be the special auction sale, advertised last week, at which the bidding is open to all. Bring in your friends!

As usual, those remaining in town will gather at the Crawford Café, 13 Brattle St., for supper together at 6 o'clock.

C. A. HOWES, Sec.

SPECIAL NOTICE!

The committee having in charge the special auction sale for the regular May meeting solicits good stamps for the same from *members only.* Lots sold on 10% commission.

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Distribution No. 29, sent to the participants on April 2nd, consisted of the following 25 issues: Italy (1), Italian Crete (2), Portugal (8), Salvador (14).

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Report of Secretary for Week Ending April 2, 1910.

Applications Pending.

Hosmer, Thos. L.	Edwards, Brice, Jr.
Jackson, Oscar F.	Jacobs, A. B.
Holpuch, James.	Taite, Harry.
Lazos, Louis.	Reymann, Otto C.
Thier, Max.	Lehmann, Carl W.
Graham, V. M.	Mack, James.
Raub, H. L., Jr.	Runyon, Ernst F.
Bell, Sidney E.	de Heusch, Baronne
Zumstein, Ernst.	Pepper, Geo. H.
Packard, L. J.	Cooper, Harold
Evans, Harry S.	Martin, Donald W.
Wehe, Carl.	Lauritzen, Harry.
Baker, B. D.	Hermann, Arnold.
McLenegan, Chas.	

Applications Received.

As soon as your name has been published as an applicant you will probably have unsolicited selections of stamps sent you on approval. As a great many collectors object to this the Society desires to break the practice up. Please aid us and help protect yourself and others against further imposition, by holding such selections without purchasing therefrom until sufficient funds have been received from the sender to enable you to return the stamps to him by registered mail. Also please report to the Secretary of the Society the name of the dealer sending such unsolicited selections.

Koslowski, Karl, 268 W. High St., Detroit, Mich.; age 34; Supt. References: Scott Stamp & Coin Co.; Michigan Savings Bank. Proposed by C. F. Heyerman, No. 3101.

Haynes, Geo. E., 3523 Summit Ave., Toledo, Ohio; age 24; Stamp Dealer. Reference: Toledo Stamp Co. Proposed by A. C. Stewart, No. 1643.

King, Geo. E., 985 Lafayette Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.; age 33; Accountant. Reference: Thornton & Chester Milling Co. Proposed by F. B. Griffith, Jr., No. 1836.

Grombacher, L. L., Ill. Athletic Club, Chicago, Ill.; age 53. Reference: Daniel J. Schuyler, Jr. Proposed by Hugh M. Clark.

New Stockholders.

3753. Paime, C. M., Lima, Ohio.
3754. Muecke, Chas., Weehawken, N. J.
3755. Alden, John, Hyde Park, Mass.

Resignations Accepted.

2532. Wilber, Mert A., Richmond, Va.
2928. Kling, John, Wellesley, Mass.
2708. Bierberg, Valentine, Columbus, O.

Change of Address.

3240. Selianoff, Oscar, from San Francisco to 201 Morrison, Portland, Oregon.
1222. Wolff, Ludwig, from Barry Ave. to 60 Bittersweet Place, Chicago, Ill.
2377. Bachman, I., from Prospect Place to 1422 President St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
2543. Halgin, R. J., Jr., from Jewett Ave. to 99 Clifton Place, Jersey City, N. J.
3212. Flick, Theo. E., from Galveston to 526 1st Nat'l Bank Bldg., Houston, Texas.
2152. Hosmer, A. P., from Chicago to 211 N. Garrison Ave., St. Louis, Mo.
2077. La Force, Wm. F., from New Orleans to 219 Union Ave., Litchfield, Ill.
395. Doscher, H. W., from Geary St. to 217 Montgomery St., San Francisco, Cal.
3488. Weir, H. M., from Spokane to Kellogg, Idaho.

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Total membership March 26, 1910,	1884
New stockholders,	3
Total,	1887
Resignations accepted,	3
Total membership April 2, 1910,	1884

Correction.

The application of Mr. H. C. Barr published last week should be for reinstatement. Mr. Barr's number was formerly 901.

Addresses Wanted.

3218. Kiusalas, Augustus H.
3370. Nocht, Mrs. Ewald.

Will the Secretaries of the Branch Societies please send their branch reports of meetings to the *Secretary* for publication, instead of to the Weekly. This will get your reports published earlier as they all must pass through this office first.

H. S. Adair, Sec.

Report of Educational Committee.

The Governing Board takes pleasure in announcing the following contributions to the Educational fund:

H. N. Mudge,	$5.00
P. M. Wolsieffer,	15.00
Hugh M. Clark,	5.00
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Marvin A. Barlow,	1.00
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Balance on hand,	$118.93

The Governing Board of the Educational Committee has labored zealously ever since its appointment, but owing to certain unavoidable delays incidental with getting in touch with certain individuals and matters bearing on the work, past and present, a complete rounding out of a comprehensive campaign has been impossible until the present time. We now take pleasure, however, in reporting as follows; showing that we have succeeded in getting effective machinery in full operation, and calling attention to the fact that the continued running of the same all depends on our supply of fuel.

We are continuing the free distribution of stamp packets through the youths' paper called *The American Boy*.

The splendid articles by Mr. W. Dwight Burroughs are being continued of which he is now writing two, one on African Big Game as shown on stamps and the other on Nicaragua and Zelaya. These articles are to be syndicated and will appear in various newspapers and periodicals throughout the country.

The above are matters which have also been done by former committees, and they have done and are doing much good for the cause of philately. In addition, however, it has been realized that there is a wide field of endeavor in appealing more directly and strongly both to parents and children. To do this we have issued a folder and set of the stamps of Philippine Islands. The set contains five stamps nicely mounted on a folder. Opposite each of the five stamps is printed a brief description of the interesting points usually noticed by a beginner, with date of issue and U. S. money equivalent of the face value.

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THE "SPECIMEN" STAMPS.

By L. HARALD KJELLSTEDT.

(*Continued from page 130.*)

Nicaragua.—Here we find the 2 and 5c of 1862 in exchanged colors, on India paper, overprinted with the word "Specimen" in yellow or red. These are undoubtedly proofs as well as the issue of 1890, the first of the Seebeck series, which is found with "Specimen" stamped on, diagonally and in blue ink, with a hand stamp. Other issues, as for instance that of 1893, have been seen with violet, very irregular handstamping. They were pasted on cards and given out by the post administration as New Year's gifts or souvenirs.

Barbados.—The 5sh dull rose of 1873 has been overprinted with the word "Specimen" in black but it is very likely that this was done later because the issue of 1875-78 is found similarly overprinted with the same type and the word 13 mm. long.

St. Helena.—The issue of 1863 was hand stamped "Specimen" in blue black ink with the word 23 mm. long.

Trinidad.—The 6 pence of 1863 and the 5sh of 1869 are found with "Specimen" printed in small, thin type. Length of word 11 mm.

France.—Here we have the issue of 1853 with black, large and widely spaced overprint "Specimen," 16 mm. long. The issue of 1862-70 occurs with black, small overprint, 11½ mm. of the issue of 1876-78 (Allegory) the author of the paper has only seen the 40c overprinted diagonally with the word "Specimen", 19 mm. long. As it differs from the previous overprints and has an accent over the first e, its genuineness may be doubted.

Moens only lists the 2 and 4c of the 1862-70 issue (laureated) with Specimen overprints.

Belgium.—The issue of 1863, perforated, and the imperforate issue of 1865 are found with quite primitive red or black overprints done by typeset hand stamp. They are very likely proofs from de la Rue. The 40c of 1865 is also to be found hand stamped in larger type.

Dutch-Indies.—The issues of 1870 and 1883 as well as the postage due stamps had the word "Specimen" printed in black, horizontally, in thin type, 14½ mm. long. They are also found hand stamped diagonally.

Austria.—The issue of 1858 was overprinted in black with the word Specimen. This was done in the government printing office, and copies of these Specimen stamps are extremely scarce.

Roumania.—Issue of 1872 (Paris and Bukarest printings) with black, spaced, vertical "Specimen" 21 mm. long.

Japan.—Complete sets of the issues of 1871, 1872, 1873, 1874, 1875 and 1877 were overprinted with Japanese characters as specimens for the different post offices.

United States.—The author only mentions the official stamps with the word "Specimen", sold to collectors and dealers from 1875-1884, and refers his readers to MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS, 1909, No. 30. No mention is made of the stamps overprinted "Sample" and "Sample A" which were printed from dies used 1879-88.

Argentine.—A number of the older stamps of this country were overprinted diagonally with the word "MUESTRA" and used as illustrations in a work over the Argentine postal service which was published and distributed by the Minister of Posts.

The author states that the "Specimen" stamps heretofore enumerated are to be considered as pioneers. It remained for the Universal Postal Union to regulate and give the official character to the issuance of Specimen stamps. The first Congress at Berne, 1874, paid little attention to this feature but the Congress which met at Paris in 1878 adopted a regulation which compelled each stamp issuing country to furnish three copies of each stamp to each of the postal administrations of the world who were members of the Union. The distribution of these specimens should be handled by the international bureau at Berne. The Congress of Vienna, in 1891, raised the number of these specimens to 5 but the Congress of Rome, 1906, again reduced it to 3 copies. The wording of the regulation is found in Article xxxix: "The Union administrations have to forward to each other, through the International Bureau:

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The majority of the administrations, who are members of the Union, furnish them without any overprinting. Only a few administrations, as for instance England and its colonies, provide exchange stamps overprinted "Specimen."

It is with these Specimen overprints that the article will deal hereafter. These are the Specimens which at present are circulating in the stamp market having been released by courtesy or given in exchange to dealers by postal administrations having no particular interest in retaining them.

The great German philatelist, Lindenberg, stated in a paper read on this subject that the overprint "Specimen" is never found on a reprint. The author refutes this statement by pointing out "Specimen" reprints issued by the Australian colonies, and point out the cases which have come under his observation:

New South Wales.—Of the issue of 1854-56 there is a reprint having the small crown watermark of the issue of 1871. The 1p orange and 2p blue of these reprints are found with black "Specimen" overprint. The 5p and 1sh with the regular watermark and in the color of the originals, have also been found with black, very sharp "Specimen," 23 mm. long. A reprint of the registration stamp of 1856, orange and blue, exists with black, ornamental Specimen overprint 13 mm. long. Originals of the issue of 1860 have been seen with diagonal "Specimen," 23 mm. Issue of 1862-67 with black, small, diagonal "Specimen," 18 mm. Issue of 1888 occurs overprinted same as previous issue. The issue of 1871-91, inclusive of registration and postage due stamps, came on the market in large numbers overprinted in blue or black with the words "Specimen" or "Reprint."

New Zealand.—Of the older issues the author has only seen that of 1874 (originals) with inclined blue violet overprint, 15 mm. long.

Queensland. The author doubts if all of the quite numerous Specimens of this country are originals and notes the following of which he is sure:

Issue of 1862-66 with blue, diagonal, spaced overprint, 20 mm. long. Issue of 1864-66 with black, and blue overprint of similar type. Registration stamp of 1861, 6p olive. Issue of 1879-81 with black overprint, 27 mm. long, running from lower right hand corner towards the upper left, and also placed otherwise. The issue of 1882, but only the high values with blue, diagonal overprint of same type as that of 1862-66. It appears as if the older issues were overprinted at the same time as the issue of 1881-1882.

South Australia.—Of the puzzling reprint material of this country, undoubtedly all of that of the issue of 1868-74 was overprinted "Reprint," but there are reprints of the older issues with the word "Specimen." The large size stamps of 1887-90 with Specimen overprint are said to be originals. If that is the case certainly more were overprinted than was needed for administration exchanges because they are quite frequently met with and have been offered by Senf Bros. at $18.00 for a set inclusive of the 20 pound value. Regular and official stamps of 1885 are found with black horizontally printed "Specimen," 16½ mm. long, and the issue of 1901-02 with black horizontal overprint 12 mm. long.

Tasmania.—The issue of 1871-76, and probably those following was overprinted horizontally in black with "Specimen" 18 mm. long.

(*To be continued.*)
—*Berliner Brief. Zeitung.*

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For a good many years I have been making attempts to classify the types, but the differences are so minute, at least they appear so at first, that for a long time the task seemed hopeless. A short time ago, after examining a large number of stamps, it seemed to me that there were two distinct types. In the one which I shall call the "L" type, as the left-hand half of the pane of fifty contains only this variety, you will see that there is a sort of apostrophe after the "A" of "VICTORIA," and that the long pointed ornament to the right of the word "STA" consists of three vertical white lines. In the case of the other, which I shall call the "R" type, as most of the right-hand half of the pane are of this type—to be exact there are twenty-two out of twenty-five—this long pointed ornament consists of only two vertical white lines. There is usually another clearly marked difference; in the case of the "R" types some of the curved lines in the scroll-work under the "P" of "PENCE" take the form of something like a horizontal note of interrogation, while in the "L" types there are two slanting coloured lines in the same place.

It is difficult to assign a reason for these peculiarities. It is possible that all the engravings were the work of one man, and that for some reasons or other there was an interval between the time he finished the first part of his task, and began the second part; or it is possible that they were the work of two men. The latter is perhaps the more probable, as the peculiarities are so very marked.

At any rate, they are of the greatest assistance in plating; and in the majority of cases if one of these peculiarities is hidden by the postmark another is fairly certain to be visible.

As has already been mentioned the left-hand half of the pane of fifty contains only the "L" types, while the right-hand half contains twenty-two of the "R" type and three of the "L" type; these are the seventh, ninth and tenth from the left of the top row.—L. L. R. HAUSBURG in *London Philatelist.*

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A NEW 2c ENVELOPE DIE?

By Charles E. Jenney.

Thought you would like to have early news of a new die of the current 2c envelope that is appearing, though probably others have noticed it and have reported already. It first attracted my attention by the word "Two" being very high, away out of centre. Further examination shows that the initial "S" of "States" has much longer ends; that the top stroke of each "T" in "States" is very much shorter and that the words "Two" and "Cents" are nearer to each other. Probably there are other differences, but these are first discernible. Are we to have the flood of varieties that the 1864 issue, the prototype of this issue, provided?

A BEER STAMP WITH INVERTED CENTRE.

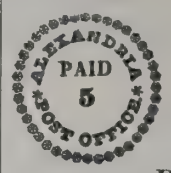
By J. W. Prevost.

At last, the long search is ended and it has been found. The editor refers to a beer stamp with inverted center. W. D. Grout of Worcester, Mass., is the lucky finder. In a small collection of about 60 specimens bought from some dealer in New York were four or five spedimens of the ¼ bbl. 1875 beer stamps. For nearly a week Mr. Grout had them in his possession before he noticed that one of them did not appear just right and on closer examination the startling discovery was made. The stamp is a beautiful specimen, lightly cancelled and with even margins, and to say that Mr. Grout is pleased with his find is putting it mildly. Well he may be for it seems to be a rarity of the first water.

Beer stamps have been printed with black medallions and colored borders since 1871. Now does it not seem strange that inverted medallions should not have been discovered before? Has this occurred only once in 39 years? You all know our beautiful 1869 set set of postage stamps was in use only one year, yet this error occurred on three values and the same is true of the Pan-American set. It would lead us to think that the Bureau of Engraving is much more careful in printing our revenue stamps than in printing the postage stamps.

Mr. Grout's luck did not end with this discovery. He also found a copy of the 1871 ½ bbl. brown beer stamp on *white* paper. This is a stamp that the compilers of "Philatelic Side Lines No. 1" had never seen, and it was their opinion that the ½ bbl. brown did not exist on white paper.

Now will some one dig up the ½ bbl. red on violet and green paper? This will make things interesting.



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DEATH OF G. FRED H. GIBSON.

(The death of Mr. Gibson will be a severe blow to English philately. For thirteen years Honorary Secretary of the Manchester Philatelic Society and closely identified with every philatelic activity, his loss will be keenly felt. We take from the **Postage Stamp** the following brief story of his career.—Ed.)

Philately in Manchester sustains a great loss by the death on Sunday, March 20th of Mr. G. Fred H. Gibson, who has been the Honorary Secretary of the Manchester Philatelic Society since 1897. We had heard with much regret of his recent illness which was known at the last meeting of the Manchester society.

Mr. Gibson who had just entered his forty-ninth year was one of the best known, and the most popular of the circle of advanced collectors in Manchester. He retired from business a few years back to devote a great deal of his time to his honorary duties on the Manchester Corporation of which he was an esteemed member and to the philatelic society in which he was a most able secretary.

"Fred" Gibson, as he was affectionately called, began to collect stamps in his 'teens, but it was not until he came within the influence of the Manchester group of which Mr. Vernon Roberts and Mr. Dorning Beckton were the leaders that he developed to specialism. He early joined the Manchester Philatelic Society, founded in 1891, and a couple of years later became a member of the committee, succeeding Mr. A. H. Harrison as Honorary Secretary in 1897.

Mr. Gibson was among the very few advanced collectors who maintained an interest in the collecting of entire postcards. His chief specialised collection of adhesive stamps was probably the well-known one of Gibraltar and the Morocco Agencies which has been exhibited on several occasions. He was a fellow of the Royal Philatelic Society, and amongst other important efforts on behalf of philately he had the no light task of organising the highly successful International Philatelic Exhibition in Manchester in 1899.

He was keenly interested in the junior movement and was the first Manchester collector to discuss the formation of a local branch of the Junior Philatelic Society in that city, and his assistance in the foundation of the branch in 1905 contributed in no small measure to the success which was then achieved. He was the breeziest of speakers at a meeting or a banquet and the cheeriest of companions. Manchester will miss him in its public affairs, it will miss him socially. Philately will not miss him alone in Manchester, but wherever there are collectors who had the privilege of having been associated with him or his work.

Mr. Gibson had another hobby (possibly one of several), and that was the collecting of antique clocks. We always thought that this hobby of his was very characteristic of a man who was himself a model of precision. When at his charming home in Crumpsall, we doubt whether he ever failed to miss his nightly round of the numerous clocks; and certainly he was scrupulously prompt and methodical in his duties as Hon. Secretary of the Manchester Philatelic Society.

THE STAMP MARKET.

By Senax.

Items that are comparatively scarce may be occasionally met with in some wholesale lists, but where such lists are monthly ones these quotations do not "stand" for very long. One such list just to hand has a tempting array of used Portuguese Colonials up to the 100 reis value in some instances, and including a sprinkling of unpaids. These seem to be some of the sorts that a general collector would be glad of.

The 12c British East Africa, 1907, is priced per ten copies, a new quotation, although one knows of at least one English dealer who can probably supply these in quantity up to the 2 rupees.

The 5c and 7c Canada Quebecs are also here noticed per ten copies, but do not seem over cheap.

In view of the forthcoming new series for Chili it should be worth while investing in a hundred each of the 15c and 30c of the current issue.

Ecuador, 1909, are on sale in some quantity, also Costa Rica, 1908; these and similar postally used South American of a pictorial character will be found to have a market in certain directions.

A current Australian list quotes prices for some high value British, which seem very cheap; presumably these have found their way to that neighborhood on parcels.

The 4, 6 and 8 sen values of Japan are usually found to be good sellers.

High values of Mexico, 1899, are not difficult to light upon, and are good stock.

The 12 satangs, Siam, 1909, are on sale in one place per hundred at what seems to be a very moderate price.

The 10c U. S. A. Unpaid of 1895 is usually cheaper than either the 3c or the 5c.

It is possible that Luxemburg Service stamps may be met with by correspondence with Belgium.

The 35c French 1906, Type I., with thin figures, should be good to hold in quantity. A parcel of these, bought when prices were "down," is now worth at least double its cost.

The 35c Tunis Pictorial seems cheaper, and should be a good stamp for selling.

One is driven to the conclusion that there is possibly a certain degree of scarcity among used middle values of Pictorial French Colonials.

Hudson-Fultons will probably prove to be "better" stamps than the Alaskas.

1s 3d is asked in one place for the 2 rupees India, King's Head, O.H.M.S., used.

The 25c Panama 1906 should be a good stamp. Panama is collected almost universally, and thousands of people will be on the look-out for this denomination.

The 40c, 50c and 1 franc Monaco, per ten copies, are a new quotation; usually these are only picked up singly.

Ivory Coast Parcel Post will read as an unfamiliar item to many, but among French collectors these stamps have of course their devotees, and a long price has to be paid for most of the values. Surcharged Indo-China Unpaids are another somewhat out-of-the-way class. —*Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly.*

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Markings on U. S.—At the suggestion of a reader who is devoting attention to the markings of the earlier used United States stamps, we have been gathering some notes respecting the cancellations and postmarks as they may have been applied to the stamps. We have found that before 1859, there did not seem to be any attempt to force a regularity of use of the canceling stamp independently of the postmark and consequently, the stamps before that date are very often found on the envelope canceled by the postmark. The postal regulations for 1859 call attention to the proper use of the postmarking and canceling stamps, the first to be impressed on the letter and the second on the stamp; but it appears that they did not make the observance of this rule mandatory. A short time afterwards, "the use of the office-rating or postmarking stamp as a canceling instrument is positively prohibited, inasmuch as the postmark when impressed on the postage stamp is usually indistinct, and the cancellation effected thereby is imperfect. The postage stamp must, therefore, be effectually canceled with a separate instrument." Later, the following instructions appeared: "The cancellation or defacing must be effected by the use of black printing ink, wherever that material can be obtained; and where it cannot, the operation should be performed by making several heavy crosses or parallel lines upon each stamp, with a pen dipped in good black writing-ink." Postmarking and rating stamps and ink are now supplied by the department to all post-offices. In connection with foregoing, it must be remembered that the department habitually called attention to the carelessness of postmasters in attending to the rules for postmarking and canceling. The violations were unceasing and stamps are to be found with all manner of cancellations.

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Again—The success of the Seybold sales serves to illustrate the claim so often and so justly made that any collection much out of the ordinary by reason of its interesting and unusual quality will be likely to yield its seller a satisfactory return if all the avenues of competition are widely opened. We are quite prepared to believe the statement in *Judge's* recent editorial on "the coin and stamp collection fads" to the effect that "every year the value of rare stamps increases, too."

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Great Institution—At a dinner in celebration of the 70th anniversary of the incorporation of the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company held in London some time since, the chairman furnished the following historical information in the course of the evening. The company is the oldest Transatlantic carrier in the world and during its seventy years of existence, it has rendered service to the nation in times of war as well as of peace. Primarily, the company was established to connect Great Britain with the West Indian colonies but within a score of years from the date of its organization, the company has extended its connections to the South American countries, Australia, Mexico, Cuba and the United States; and later to Morocco, China and Japan. The first contract was entered into with the Commissioners acting for the Lord High Admiral and not with the Postmaster-General. The company now makes its ports in thirty foreign countries and twenty British colonies and is no longer subsidized by the British government. The issue of a single stamp by the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company in 1875 identifies the company in the philatelic mind. The stamp was a local and was used to prepay mail matter between a few ports in the West Indies until about the year 1880, when the stamp was retired.

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A Few Flights—In these days of aviation an investigator opportunely remarks that he has discovered that in the '40s an enterprising citizen proposed to carry mail by air-ship but the offer was declined by the earthly-minded officers of the postal department. The Associated Press dispatch says: "An employe rummaging through the files of the post-office department has found a letter written Oct. 21, 1845, proposing to carry the mails in a machine for 'traversing the air like a bird.' The offer was made by P. O. Davidson of Mobile, Ala. The government did not accept the offer." We can beat this, as in 1766, the third line of new stages for New York was established in Philadelphia and was called the "Flying Machine." The promoters of the "Flying Machine" contracted to make the distance between the two cities in two days, instead of the usual three day period, except in winter, when even the "Flying Machine" required the customary allowance of three days. The first line of stages between Philadelphia and New York was established in 1756.

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First Stages—While on the subject of early stages which carried the mails, attention may be called to the following advertisement which appeared in the *Weekly Mercury* of Philadelphia, issue of March 8, 1759: "Philadelphia Stage Waggon and New York Stage Boat performs their stages twice a week. John Butler with his waggon, sets out on Monday from his house at the sign of the Death of the Fox in Strawberry Ally, and drives the same day to Trenton, Ferry, when Francis Holman meets him, and proceeds on Tuesday to Brunswick, and the passengers and goods being shifted into the waggon of Isaac Fitzrandolph, he takes them to the New Blazing Star to Jacob Fitzrandolph's the same day, where Ruben Fitzrandolph, with aboat well suted, will receive them and take them to New York that night. John Butler returning to Philadelphia on Tuesday with the passengers and goods delivered to him by Francis Holman, will again set out for Trenton Ferry on Thursday and Francis Holman &c. will carry his passengers and goods, with the same expedition as above to New York. March 8, 1759." Before the advent of stages, the mails were conveyed by "post horses."

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Smarty—A collector who submitted for inspection, a halved two-cent of the current issue used provisionally as a one-cent stamp on a picture postal card was told that while his specimen was of some curious interest, it had no real philatelic value. He expressed disbelief of this opinion and says that our statement that recent provisionals are regarded with suspicion as being of philatelic and not of official origin and that at best they are the result of favor or carelessness may be open to argument. We now find that the postal laws and regulations approved March 3, 1879, interdict the use of such specimens and it is not unlikely that earlier than this, the same or similar prohibitory mention is made in the rules. At least the following quotation will show that any "provisional" after 1879 is irregular and unauthorized from the departmental view: "Fractional parts of postage-stamps and postage-due stamps cannot be recognized in prepayment of postage. For example, a letter or package to which one two-cent stamp and the half of another two-cent stamp are affixed cannot be considered as having been prepaid three cents, but only two cents; and a letter or package on which eighteen cents postage is chargeable cannot be prepaid in full by affixing a six-cent stamp and the half of a twenty-four cent stamp." The department called such mutilated varieties "improper stamps" and clearly indicated their invalidity.

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*St. Vincent **1910**, 1, 3, 6d, **mint**, the 3	..	.38

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(The following letter of regret in verse was sent Mr. Alvin Good, secretary of the club, in connection with the recent anniversary celebration, full particulars of which have been published in the WEEKLY. The author of the sentiments so well expressed is J. Murray Bartels of this city.—ED.)

Destined to shine through ages and ages,
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You now celebrate a festive event
And rejoice at the great occasion,
You point to a record of twenty years spent,
And invite our friendly invasion.

But duties and work, kind friends in Ohio,
Absorbing completely our time, day by day,
Compel us, forsooth, ourselves to deny, oh!
This pleasure so festive, inviting and gay.

With Boston and Cleveland such distance apart,
And having been there quite recently too,
It really seems hard to make a new start,
So send these few rhymes, the best we can do.

May March nineteenth be a red letter day
In the Stamp Club's annals and history;
May the world see anew the wonderful sway
Of philately's charm and its mystery.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from Gerald D. Bliss and A. F. Henkels.

—Gerald D. Bliss sends us a clipping from the Panama *Star-Herald* which states that a new issue of stamps has been ordered for Costa Rica, the step being taken because of forgeries in circulation. It is rumored that several officials high in authority may be brought up with a sharp turn.

—"When the green Specials for the U. S. were printed, the Bureau of Engraving also printed 130 sheets of the Philippine Islands Specials in the same color and put them away awaiting a requisition but before such a requisition was placed the color was changed back to blue again and now the green Philippines Specials are to be destroyed. The number of sheets being so small there would have been quite a rise in price in them if they had been allowed to go to the Islands but the fact that they were not sent only demonstrates more clearly that the Department does try to prevent speculative issues being put out."
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A. P. S. HISTORICAL NOTES.

By H.A.DAVIS, Pres. Colo. Branch No.22

Year 1906, 21st Annual Convention.

At the beginning of the year the total membership was 672. On Feb. 10th, President Stone announced the date of Aug. 14th for holding the 21st annual convention in Boston. Secretary Eaton mailed the Year Book in March. During the year the Board of Vice Presidents devoted much time and attention looking to ways and means for suppressing the sending of unsolicited approval selections, and from time to time reported through the official journal.

In June the Chicago Branch made the following nominations for Board of Directors: For President, W. C. Stone, Mass.; Bd. of V. Pres., H. N. Mudge, H. A. Fowler, F. Michael, all of Ill.; Secy., A. F. Henkels, Pa.; Treas., H. G. Smith, Minn.; Int. Secy., D. T. Eaton, Ia.; Directors, W. E. Loy, Calif.; J. S. Rich, N. Y.

On July 28th occurred the death of one of the directors of the association, W. E. Loy of Calif.

The 21st annual convention was called to order by Pres. Stone, Tuesday, Aug. 14th at 9.30 a. m. at the Bellevue Hotel, Boston. There were 87 members, 5 applicants and 63 guests present and 368 members represented by proxy.

The Secretary's report showed the total membership to be 826, a gain of 152 members for the fiscal year. There were 41 members dropped for non-payment of dues, 25 resignations, 7 deceased and one expelled. There were 18 reinstatements and 208 new stockholders added.

The Treasurer reported the receipts for the year to be $1,143.45, disbursements $1,030.39, bal. general fund, overdrawn, $30.26; stock account $2,315.00, exchange $26.50, total bal. $2,893.21.

In the sales department there were stamps sent in to the amount of $32,240.50 from which sales were made to the amount of $5,711.93. The secretary was authorized to issue duplicate stock certificates in place of those lost in the San Francisco fire. MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS was elected official journal.

A committee was appointed by the president consisting of Severn, Mudge, Rich and Deats to take into consideration the advisability and practicability of compiling and estimating the cost of an official catalog to be published by the association similar to the French official.

Denver was selected for the next convention seat with 334 votes against 37 for Jamestown and 31 for Put-in-Bay.

$150.00 was voted for use of the Recruiting Committee. It was voted "that the association at its own expense have a new die made to produce button badges of the association, the cost of the die to be distributed among the first 500 sold." (This resolution was ignored or forgotten by the Board of Directors. It is still in force, having never been rescinded by a convention).

The following resolutions were adopted: Resigned members may be reinstated and given old number. The treasurer in his annual report shall present documentary evidence of possession of bal. reported in some form such as "certification." Insurance of sales department entries to be 1% instead of ½ of 1%. Supt. of Sales not required to report quarterly to the Board of Directors. Supt. of Sales may use his discretion as to circulation of books in foreign countries. In the matter of unsolicited selections it was voted that a standing notice be inserted in the official journal requesting applicants to report to the secretary names of dealers sending out such selections, hold such selections until registration fee sent for their return, and to return stamps without making any purchase.

It was voted that F. D. Goodhue be appointed chairman of a committee to report to the Board of Directors a plan for black-listing dishonest dealers and collectors.

A new standing committee was authorized—Committee on Place of Next Convention.

The Chicago members presented the convention with an illustrated card of greeting, "The Philatelist's Dream" on the reverse of which was an ode dedicated to the A. P. A., "Rah for the American Philatelic Association," written by Henry M. Mudge. It was voted to sing this ode to the tune of "Tramp, Tramp the Boys are Marching," just after the convention opens and just before it closes in the future.

The ticket nominated by the Chicago Branch was elected. On account of the death of Wm. E. Loy of California, the next eligible candidate was declared elected—H. B. Phillips of Calif.

The convention attendants were entertained by the Boston Philatelic Society. A reception and display of rare stamps was held Monday evening in connection with a special meeting of the society for this purpose. On Tuesday afternoon a base-ball game between picked nines from the B. P. S. and A. P. A. was played. Boston was the victor 18 to 13. Tuesday evening there was a trip to Revere Beach. Wednesday afternoon a harbor trip with a stop a Ft. Warren. On Thursday afternoon the famous Paul Revere trolley trip covering the route followed by the famous Revolutionary hero in his ride through Lexington to Concord was made. On Friday a trip to Plymouth by steamer and return by rail.

At the end of the year the total membership was 947.

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1910, Jubilee, 2, 3, 7c, unused (Pagoda)..... .20

HONDURAS

1898, 5c lilac (Error) instead of blue, Scott's No. 105b, cat. $1.00..... .25

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CHESTER MYERS, 300 So. Third St., St.Louis.

Advanced collectors who want a rare bit that's "just the cheese" should write for price on Hawaii 1893 2c violet, inverted surcharge, o. g., Scott's 57a. This isn't a low priced stamp, but my price is low. C. F. RICHARDS, 557 West 148th St., New York. *

Imperforate full sheets to close out. Lincolns (400), at $12; Hudson-Fulton (240), $5.75; Alaska-Yukon-Pacific (280 , $6.75. Get blocks, line varieties, plate Nos., etc., from them at near face. Only a few left. A. D. MITCHELL, Salem, N. Jersey. A. P. S. 2347. [07-09*

I have left Palatka, Fla., for good. Am at the Europ. Hotel, Hannover, Germany, for the present and shall remain in Germany during the summer. On my return to the U. S. will publish address. GUST. G. VOLGER.

Wanted—Precanceled Stamps! Would like to buy two or three old collections. Will pay good price for good stamps. H. S. WILLIAMS, 2170 E. 90th St., Cleveland, Ohio. [3d wk*

12c Interior Dept., used fine, cat. 40c, net .13
12c " slightly damaged copies, each .05
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H. S. DICKEY, Newton, Kansas. *

Precancels wanted for cash. Large or small lots. For sale, 40 varieties, 6c ; 60 vars., 10c.
ROBT. WEBER, Galeton, Pa.

Canada Postage and Revenue stamps to sell. Quebec 3rd Centenary stamps (used) in good condition, series of 8, 55c; 50c King (used), 10c. H. O. MARTINEAU, 135 St. Joseph St., Quebec, Can. [08

For Sale - General collection 7000 vars., splendid condition, cat. value approximately $1,250, price $350. If interested request list giving number and value each country. E. P. Hoefle, Velasco, Tex. [08

Not unlucky 13c U. S. 1908!! Have you paid 18c for them yet? If not, take advantage of my offer herewith: Superb, mint copies at 15c each! Block 4, only 65c, (plate number $1.00). Panes of 100 very cheap at $14.50.

10c green Special Delivery also! Superb, mint, 12c each!! Blocks, 50c (plate number $1.00). Whole sheets 70 (now rare), $8.50.

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If you want them in exchange send batch of fine stamps marked net (no fancy prices). If for cash, please remit in advance with post. and reg. (12c) extra on orders under $5.00. Other snaps.
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Special! Newfoundland No. 79, cat. 12c, only 5c. Mint U. S. 1909, 13c sea green, obsolete, 18c. Entire sheets or per 100 copies, $15.00. Green Specials, mint, 14c. Post. extra. J. F. VICKREY, 4528 North Lincoln St., Chicago, Ill. C.P.S.407. *

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Fine Stamps at Half Catalogue, some less. Exchange adv. of Jan. 22d still good. A.H.YOUNG, Box 1325, New Haven, Conn. [03-05-07*

Ser via 1905, 9 var., $0.20 [09
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$2, 1902, mint, price, $2.18. $5 mint, $5.40. Postage extra. F. E. FARNHAM, 5904 So. Park-Ave., Chicago, Ill. A. P. S. 2990. [S*

CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES.

Edited by HENRY A. KIDDER.

Any information regarding new issues will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Address HENRY A. KIDDER, 17 Addison St., Arlington, Mass. Letters calling for a reply should contain a self-addressed, stamped envelope. We cannot give applicants the addresses of our correspondents.

UNITED STATES.—Gen. C. A. Coolidge shows us a copy of the current 2c wrapper, with the white mark across the lower right corner of the stamp. We have also found the same defect in the wrappers sold at the Boston Post Office. It is apparently a defect in printing, the paper wrinkling a trifle and thus causing a white mark. We have also seen the same wrapper with an enlarged and defective "E" in "One", but this is not at all common.

E. H. Banks shows us the current 2c stamp on a soft grayish paper, similar to that noted some time since for the special delivery stamp.

CANADA.—The *Hobbyist* says that the current 1c stamp exists on thin, medium and thick paper, the thin paper being slightly ribbed.

COLOMBIA. — ***Medellin*** — A German contemporary reports having seen the small oblong 50c stamp chronicled in No. 986 in a new color.

Adhesive.

50c gray green.

CRETE.—Mr. Schachne has shown us the 10x10 card surcharged "Ellas," with a somewhat longer surcharge and not as well done as on the card already reported. This is said to be hand-stamped and the word measures over 12 mm. instead of former length of 11 mm.

GREAT BRITAIN. — ***Offices in the Levant***.—The 2d has now been issued in the chalky paper, with overprint "Levant", the New England Stamp Co. having shown us a copy.

INDIA.—***Jaipur***—The 1 rupee stamp is now issued in lemon yellow instead of orange yellow.

Nabha.—The 2a 6p King's head has been issued with the usual overprint for this state. ***Ewen's Weekly*** says that the whole issue was bought up by local speculators, and as the Post Office authorities announce that no more are to be printed, collectors seem to be at the mercy of the Nabhan speculators.

Adhesive.

2a 6p ultramarine, surcharge black.

ITALY. — ***Offices in Crete***. — Mr. Schachne sends us the Italian card—Senf 38—with "La Canea" under the stamp in the usual block type. The card is dated 09.

Post Card.

5c green and 10c carmine on gray.

MALAY STATES.—***Ewen's Weekly*** reports a new printing of the 1c green, the stamp being now printed at one impression. There are small variations from that printed in two impressions, including a thinner line under "Malay".

NEW HEBRIDES.—***Ewen's Weekly*** calls attention to the fact that on the new surcharged stamps, noted in No. 1006, the word "Condominium" is printed at a different operation from the rest of the surcharge and therefore the space between "Hebrides" and "Condominium" varies, while the "C" is sometimes under the "H" and sometimes much to the left of it.

NEW ZEALAND.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 2d and 4d stamps of the last issue in new shades.

Adhesives.

2d plum.
4d yelllow brown and dark blue.

NYASSA.—***Champion's Bulletin*** reports some new provisionals, the stamps of 1901 being overprinted with new value and "Provisorio".

Provisional Adhesives.

5r on 2½r black and red brown.
50r on 100r black and brown bistre.

PAPUA.—E. H. Banks reports having seen the 2sh 6d stamp, with the bottom of the "U" in "Papua" broken.

PORTUGAL. — Mr. Schachne has received the new cards and letter cards with the new stamp—vignette of the young King facing left,—new arms surmounted with a crown at upper left, two headlines "Bilhete Postal" (arched) "10 Reis". Divided face style, the lower half being like the previous issue. The letter cards have stamp as above at upper right and the headline is changed to "Bilhete—Carta". The size is larger 138x88. The singles are folded at bottom and perf. I, while the doubles are folded at top and perf. III.

Post Cards.

10r olive or dull green on buff.
10 and 10r olive or dull green on buff; L.3.

20r carmine on white.
20 and 20r carmine on white; L.3.

Letter Cards.

25r dark brown on pale yellow, inside white.
25 and 25r dark brown on pale yellow, inside white.
50r blue on pale blue.
50 and 50r blue on pale blue.

PORTUGUESE COLONIES.—*L'Echo* says that the new stamps for the various colonies are not likely to be ready before the beginning of 1911.

RHODESIA.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the current ½d stamp in yellow green, and the 2½d in a lighter shade of blue.

SIAM.—Mr. Schachne shows us some new provisional cards. The 4 atts (Senf 6 and 7) have the stamp overprinted "6 Satang" in two lines in black and the 1½ atts (Senf 9) has the stamp overprinted in Arabic for local use.

Post Cards.

6 satang on 4 atts red.
6x6 satang on 4x4 atts red.
3 satang on 1½ atts red.
5 satang on 1½ atts red.

The ***Philatelic Journal of Great Britain*** reports a new provisional.

Provisional Adhesive.

12 satangs on 12 atts pale blue and blue.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS. — The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the $2 in the new color scheme, on chalky multiple paper.

Adhesive.

$2 green and carmine on yellow.

SWITZERLAND.—The current 2c is issued tête bêche. This appears on the sheets of 90 stamps specially printed for the stamp booklets.

FINEST CHILIAN COLLECTION IN THE WORLD.

While in Santiago Mr. Phillips saw a collection of Chilian stamps which he declares to be the finest of its kind in the world. He writes:

I can only give a very rough idea of this collection, which is composed entirely of stamps in perfect condition. In superb *unused* condition I noted as follows:

July, 1853.	10c, deep bright blue,	6
" 1854.	5c lithographed (5 colours),	16
Aug., 1854.	5c burnt sienna,	8
"	10c many colours about	30

In *used* stamps there were over 100 of the lithographed 5c, including nearly a dozen transfer varieties.

5c red, printed on both sides, with both small and large wmk., twelve copies.

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The first of the "long" stamps to be issued was the 9d lake in the same type as illustrated below, which duly appeared in October, 1902, to be followed by the 3d, 4d, 6d, 8d, 10d, 1sh, 2sh 6d and 5sh stamps before the end of the year. The two high values, the 10sh and £1, were not issued until some months later.

These stamps were printed in sheets of 60—6 rows on half sheets of the ordinary paper watermarked with 240 "SA and Crowns" (4 panes of 60) and well perforated 11½. The old plate used for the "Postage & Revenue" stamps of 1887-95 was used to print these stamps, with the two words erased. A duty plate for each value, consisting of the word "Postage" for the blank space at the top and the value at the bottom was also made, with the result that the stamps were printed at two operations, leading to, as we frequently find, the word "Postage" or the value being printed out of alignment. For all the values, with the exception I believe of the four highest, more than one duty plate for the word "Postage" and the value was used, with the result that we find variations in the length of the words. This variation sometimes differs to the extent of at least 1 mm. The eightpenny value however shows a much greater variation, with the result that two varieties are catalogued.

On this value is found the very rare error "EIGNT" instead of "EIGHT"; it occurred once on every sheet, being the last stamp but one on the second row. This "error" was noticed before many sheets had been sold, with the result that it is estimated that not more than 50 copies were sold to the public.

The following letter, contributed to the *Australian Journal of Philately* and which I reproduce from *Ewen's Weekly Stamp News* of Oct. 8th, 1904, throws a little light on the subject:

"Postmaster-General's Department,
"Melbourne, 2nd August, 1904.

"Sirs:—With reference to your communication of the 28th June last, respecting an error in the lettering of one stamp in every sheet of eight-penny stamps issued by this department in South Australia recently, etc., I have the honour, by direction, to inform you that enquiry has been made into the matter, and the following is a copy of a report submitted by the Deputy Postmaster-General, Adelaide, in regard thereto:—

"'That the error "eignt" for "eight" was made by the workmen of Messrs. Sands & McDougall, who prepared the stereos for this office.

"'As soon as the error was discovered we discontinued selling any of the stamps on which the incorrect word was printed.

"'The mistake was quite accidental, and is much regretted. The stamps withdrawn from sale are in a sealed envelope and will, as usual in such cases, be burnt in the presence of two responsible officers.'"

As already stated all these values were perforated by the machine which gave a gauge of 11½. Towards the end of 1903, a new machine however was brought into use for these stamps, which gauged a true 12. We have therefore the full set (3d to £1) perforated 11½; four values 3d, 4d, 6d and 9d, perforated 12 (a new plate came into use or the higher values have come out with the 12 gauge) and five values (possibly others exist) which give a gauge of 11½ by 12½.

In 1904, due partly perhaps to the fact that so many stamps with badly centred inscriptions were being printed, it was decided to print the long stamps from a new plate which had the word "Postage" engraved on it. This was done with the result that the current stamps of the "large Postage" set as they are called, appeared.

By this method of printing the "duty plate," which previously had the word "Postage" and the value inscribed on it, had to be altered as the "Postage" would now be superfluous.

All the values of the old set have already appeared in the thick Postage type, either on Crown and S. A. or Crown and A paper.

These "long" stamps of South Australia should prove an interesting study to collectors of new issues as many varieties, caused through careless printing, exist. For instance many of the values are to be found so carelessly printed that only half of the lettering which should be in the value tablet is there, the rest is either above or right off the stamp. These varieties, however, were nearly always noticed before the stamps were sold to the public with the result that the majority were used for franking official correspondence and were perforated with the initials "o. s." or "s. a."

Why these long labels have had such a long life I do not know as, writing from personal experience, I found they were not generally popular in South Australia, especially the 3d value, which, in conjunction with the 2d stamp is used largely for registered letters.—*Phil. Journal of Gt. Britain.*

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From Sect.,	97.00	
		$3,451.66
Disbursements:		
E. T. Wallis,	1.00	
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		2.00
Bal.,		$3,449.66

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Receipts:		
Int. on Bonds,	$50.00	
Dues in Sept.,	87.60	
" Oct.,	164.00	
" Nov.,	63.10	
" Dec.,	353.50	
" Jan.,	670.68	
" Feb.,	239.92	
" Mar.,	136.72	
Adv. in Handbook No. 1,	73.00	
		$1,838.52
Disbursements:		
Bal. (Deficit),	435.98	
Vouchers to date,	967.40	
		1,403.38
Bal.,		$435.14

Insurance Fund

Bal.,	$1,411.38	
Sales Supt.,	267.09	
		$1678.47
Disbursements:		
Vouchers to date,		344.09
		$1,334.38

Exchange Fund

Bal.,	$45.60	
Bal. to date,	8.30	
		$53.90

Summary of Balances

Stock Fund,	$3,449.66
General Fund,	435.14
Insurance Fund,	1,334.38
Exchange Fund,	53.90
Credit due Adair,	69.73
	$5,342.81

Resources

Bonds,	$2,612.34
Cash,	2,730.47
	$5,342.81

Respectfully submitted,
W. P. Wherry, M. D., Treas.

Los Angeles and Southern Cal. Branch.

After a lot of time elapsed we finally got together the other day and had our first business meeting of the Branch No. 35, L. A. & So. Cal. Resolved to try and get new A. P. S. members and thus increase our Branch. Elected Mr. Guy temporary Branch Circuit Manager. Resolved to wait until we got more members in Branch before we elected President, Vice President, etc. Treasury reported to be in healthy condition.

Fred Hoffman resigned from Branch as he works all night at G. P. O. and has to study up routes, etc., and has no time for stamps. E. W. Hendrick resigned. W. H. Bainbridge practically resigned as he has had some controversy with Mr. Tuttle of the Bogert & Durbin Co.

Mr. Kemper of Cincinnati was a visitor at meeting. Secretary proposed that the Branch donate $2.50 to the Educational Committee but was voted down as three members have quit, leaving us only seven as a working force. Secretary said he had subscribed $5.00 to the Educational Com. himself and would bring up the $2.50 donation again. Fine collection of Hawaii sent by H. J. Crocker (owned by Nassau Stamp Co.) was exhibited.

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*152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 158, 159			.47	.15
*163, 164, 165, 168, 169, 170, 175			.75	.25
178	1897	1c claret	1.50	.65
182		15 on 15	.75	.25
*192, 193, 194, 196, 199, 203, 206, 207			1.04	.50
*208	1898	60c	.75	.30
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*216		5c	.15	.10
*217		10c	.35	.25
*218		15c	.50	.35
219		50c	.75	.45
*302, 305, 307, 310, 311, 313, 314			.68	.25
*401, 402, 403, 404			.20	.10
*405, 406, 407, 408			.11	.05
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Secretary's Report for March, 1910.

Dues and subscriptions to the official organ received from Nos. 184, 199, 178, 189, $4.50.

Deceased: Paul Lazarus, Feb. 13th, 1910. Mr. Lazarus became a member of the society August, 1892, shortly after its organization. He always took an active interest in this as well as other philatelic societies. At the time of his death he was a member of the executive committee and was faithful to his duties.

Change of Address: J. N. Morse to Lexington, Mass.

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New York, April 7, 1910.

Meeting was called to order at 8.30 P. M., with our new President, Geo. A. Skinner, in the chair. Application for membership: Nicolas Manoliades, care French Line, 17 State St., proposed by Dicke, seconded by Levy. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read. Several communications were read and received due consideration. The amendments to the constitution having been adopted, members are requested to notify the secretary at once of any change of address so that same may be inserted in the new constitutions about to be printed. What have you done about the Official Journal? Next meeting April 21.

Henry J. Dicke, Sec.

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Bell, Sidney E.	Mack, James.
Zumstein, Ernst.	Runyon, Ernst F.
Packard, L. J.	de Husch, Baronne
Evans, Harry S.	Pepper, Geo. H.
Wehe, Carl.	Cooper, Harold
Baker, B. D.	Martin, Donald W.
McLenegan, Chas.	Lauritzen, Harry.
Edwards, Brice, Jr.	Hermann, Arnold.
Jacobs, A. B.	Koslowski, Karl.
Taite, Harry.	Haynes, Geo. E.
Reymann, Otto C.	King, Geo. E.
Lehmann, Carl W.	Grombacher, L. L.

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

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Hersey, George N., 82 Devonshire St., Boston, Mass.; age 34; Banker. Reference: Any Bank in Boston. Proposed by Fred'k W. Parker, No. 2150.

Weaver, H. R., 415 Sigel St., Chicago, Ill.; age 18; Employee Post Office. Reference: H. N. Harsin, Jr., A. P. S. Proposed by Hugh M. Clark. Guaranteed by W. S. Stephan, 2840 Racine Ave.

Stevens, Edw. W., Box 54, Avonmore, Pa.; age 39; Treasurer. Reference: J. F. Whitesell & Son. Proposed by W. G. Saxton, No. 973.

Coppard, P. A., Oakland, Oregon; age 38; Real Estate. Reference: The Commercial Bank. Proposed by Ross O'Shaughnessy, No. 1576.

Smith, Ed L., 314 N. Chestnut St., Butler, Pa.; age 37; Mail Carrier. Reference: Guarantee Safe Deposit & Trust Co. Proposed by J. H. Stewart, No. 3562.

Lichtenstein, Benjamin, Box 315, Lawrence, L. I., N. Y.; age 14; Student. References: Scott Stamp & Coin Co., Horace Mann School. Proposed by J. A. Klemann, No. 2223. Guaranteed by Father, Isaac Lichtenstein, 22–24 W. 43rd St.

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3756. Hosmer, Thos. L., Des Moines, Ia.
3757. Jackson, Oscar F., Los Angeles,Cal.
3758. Holpuck, James, Chicago, Ill.
3759. Lazos, Louis, Manchester, N. H.
3760. Thier, Max, Charlottenberg, Germany.
3761. Graham, V.M., Saranac Lake, N. Y.
3762. Raub, H. L., Lancaster, Pa.

APPLICATION FOR REINSTATEMENT.

307. Slater, Alpheus B., Providence, R. I. Proposed by W. O. Wylie.

RESIGNATIONS ACCEPTED.

3118. Allen, Jesse A., Meredosia, Ill.
2996. Benson, Enoch B., Jr., Hartwell, Ga.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

3651. Sisson, V. E., from St. Louis to 1740 Railway Ex. Bldg., Chicago, Ill.
1571. Russell, Chas. A., from 459 to 5062 Winthrop Ave., Chicago, Ill.
3287. Trautmann, David, from Stanton St. to 54 St. Marks Place, N. Y., N. Y.
3562. Stewart, J. H., from Box 36 to Box 8, Butler, Pa.
2905. Dallmeyer, F. W., from Adams St. to R. F. D. No. 4, Box 9, Jefferson City, Mo.
3163. Kelson, A. A., from Virgil,Niagara, Canada, to Virgil, Ontario, Canada.
1874. Whiteley, C.,from 12th Ave. to 2930 Oakland Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.

DEATH REPORTED.

2529. Anthonisz, Geo. C., Havelock Town, Ceylon.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY.

Total membership April 2, 1910,		1884
New stockholders,		7
		1891
Resignations accepted,	2	
By death,	1	
		3
Total membership April 16, 1910,		1888

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There have been several complaints from different members that they have failed to receive numbers of the Quarterly just issued. Many of these members had failed to notify the Secretary of their change of address and there are no doubt many more that have not yet notified the Secretary. If you desire that your name and address be inserted properly in the next number of the Quarterly, to be issued right away, you should notify the Secretary at once if you have not already done so.

H. S. ADAIR, Sec.

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1896	Ceylon, yellow bistre	.30
*1889	Colombia 5 pesos brown, No. 91	.90
*1889	5p black, No. 92	.60
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1904	Hong Kong $3 blue and black	1.35
1892-99	Br. India 5rup violet and blue	.50
1883-96	Jamaica 2sh red brown	.48
*1903-07	Jhind, Service, 8as violet	1.50
* "	Service, 1r carmine and green	2.45
*1892	Liberia, Errors, 1c blue and 2c red	3.90
*1900	Malay States 2c lilac and brown	.24
*1900	10c lilac and orange	2.45
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*1900	$2 green and carm	1.70
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1899	Martinique 2fcs violet on rose	.26
1907	Natal 1sh black on green	.12
1907	10sh vermilion on green	1.60
*1900	Northern Nigeria 2d lilac & yellow	.25
*1900	1sh green and black	2.15
*1900	2sh 6d green and blue	4.70
1900	10sh green and brown	1.70
*1901	Southern Nigeria 4d olive & black	.25
*1901	10sh brown and green	4.85
*1903	4d olive and black, CA	.25
*1903	2sh 6d brown and black, CA	1.75
*1903	10sh brown and green, CA	3.10
1907	New Zealand, Service, 3 and 6d	.40
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VARIATIONS IN INK AND PAPER.

By CHARLES R. MORRIS.

There was recently submitted to the Post Office Dept. a block of the present issue 10 cent stamps on a paper that had the thickness of the experimental paper but had a rather yellowish appearance. The collector who sent them was puzzled to know if it was some new paper that had not been chronicled before or whether it was the experimental paper that had gathered a yellow cast from the ink used in printing. The stamps were submitted to Mr. Ralph, the Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, with the request that he would state all facts in regard to the paper that he could.

He replied to the inquiries as follows:

"The block of four 10 cent ordinary stamps (orange) submitted, are printed on paper identical with that now in use (Coniferous wood pulp) and is of the same formation. The slight difference in color is due to the film of color left on the plate, technically known as "sly-wipe", and to the fact that the paper has aged somewhat. The higher denominations of stamps are more likely to accumulate in the vault at the Bureau and in the Post Offices, and owing to age may be darker in color.

"At the beginning of the present contract it was found that the normal thickness of the paper was not sufficient to withstand some of the mechanical operations and permission was given the contractor to increase it. This should also explain the two cent ordinary printed on heavier paper.

"Wood pulp paper is always subjected to great variations in the process of manufacture, as trees vary in their nature in different localities, and their susceptibility to the re-agents used to disintegrate them into pulp varies. The finished paper also changes very rapidly, turning yellow, both from oxydization of the cellulose and fading of the analine dies used to "blue" it. Very light tints of color are liable to occur at any time, but should have no significance, as they are invariably of coal-tar origin and are fugitive, even in the dark.

"The stock may vary from time to time, as the supply of wood available at the mill may require the substitution of other varieties, and might require a percentage of rag to bring it up to strength. Of course, a difference of this nature, would require some visual indication such as a decided but probably fugitive tint, as was the case with the special experimental paper issued some time ago, to make it perceptible without a microscopical examination by an expert.

"Slight changes in color of the ink may occur from time to time in spite of care taken to secure uniformity as atmospheric and mechanical differences may change many of the inks. This is particularly noticeable in the greens. This ink is composed of a heavy yellow (lead chromate) and a very light blue (prussian) and should the rate of drying be retarded by any reason, such as a humid atmosphere, the force of gravity will partially separate the two constituents, making the green decidedly bluer.

"While it is possible to produce stamps of absolute uniformity, the cost of such would greatly exceed their face value and it is doubtful if they would be any more exempt from counterfeiting than those now made on a commercial basis with slight, but easily accounted for variations.

"Collectors should be advised to confine themselves to *well defined* and authorized changes in colors, engraving and watermarking, as the minute differences recently observed are beyond the control of the Bureau and are likely to an extent to be repeated at any time. Furthermore, these differences may be readily simulated by a little skill and research, and then the genuineness can only be determined by an expert and at considerable expense and by the destruction of at least a part of the stamp."

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OUR ENGLISH LETTER.

By W. Ward.

The Second British Congress.—To meet about the time this appears in print. The Secretary has sent me the list of events programmed out for the three days. They are:—

Wednesday, April 27th.—(1) Earl Crawford opens Congress, 4 P. M.; (2) Major Evans gives address; (3) "Manufacture of Stamps," paper by employee of Perkins, Bacon & Co.

Thursday, April 28th.—(1) "Advisability of Uniformity of Philatelic Terms," by W. D. Beckton; (2) "Unsolicited Approval Sheets," by Fred J. Melville; (3) "Guarantees of Authenticity," by W. Hadlow.

Friday, April 29th.—(1) "Prevention of Forgery," by E. B. Evans, Major; (2) "Prevention of Substitution from Exchange Sheets," by T. H. Hinton; (3) "Scheme to Found a Universal Philatelic Union," by W. Ward; (4) "Prevention of Speculative Issues," by M. P. Castle.

The Congress will be closed by Parliamentary Representative J. Henniker Heaton, the bringer-about of Empire Penny Postage. Forty different British philatelic societies will be represented by ninety delegates, together with prominent officials of the various societies, non-representative philatelists and collector friends. A goodly crowd of upwards of 200 are at least expected.

British Levant.—There is a variety of the figure 4 on the 1¾ piastre value. They will, however, not be very scarce for there are about 20% of them on every sheet. It will be remembered that this peculiar method of localising Levant Offices was started many years ago by France, in the issues for Vathy, Port Lagos and other places. The French authorities soon dropped these and today only run issues to cover (1) Turkey, (2) Crete and (3) Egypt. I rather think that the French authorities cannot be accused of publishing these issues for collectors or why would they have ceased to produce? I think if collectors place the Russian and Italian Levants alongside the U. S. and Canadian precancels they will not be far out of the way.

Postmaster General and Philatelist.—The great Indian Empire is the first to recognize the worth of a philatelist as *the* man for the office of Postmaster General. All too often men who have no knowledge of postal affairs and postal ways and means are elevated to the great postal honors and responsibilities of their countries. Here in Great Britain we have had several instances of wrong men in such a position. This century we have had Austen Chamberlain, who paid so little attention to his real office in preference to his political affairs that he was soon compelled to give way to Lord Stanley (now Earl of Derby) who in turn was nearly the means of a strike of the whole of the Postal Service of Great Britain in 1905. Indeed in November of that year the British Postmen's Federation had prepared for a strike, which they held over for the general election, which resulted in the defeat of the government of the day, and of course a new Postmaster-General—Sidney Buxton—who soon restored peace to the service. India has found in her new Postmaster General, Mr. Stewart-Wilson, the President of the Philatelic Society of India, a man who thoroughly understands his work,—more so as already as he has been the Postmaster of Punjab. Of course, every philatelist does not possess the capabilities called for but there are collectors in every country who have carefully studied the postal arrangements of every country in the world, and must necessarily be of greater value to their country than the gentleman who only knows the tit-bits of the law, the up-keep of the poor or the successful working of municipal affairs. Here's to the following of the lead of India by every other responsible nation!

Well-Known Philatelist's Death.—I am sorry to have to record the death of G. F. H. Gibson, Hon. Secretary of the Manchester Philatelic Society, one of the oldest and greatest of our British Societies. He was a prime mover in the foundation of the 1st British Congress, an active philatelist, fellow of the Royal Society, and a Councillor of the City of Manchester, the second largest city in these islands. He was one of those few men who got on well with everybody. A good speaker, both serious and breezy, he was always in demand. Few men remain Honorary Secretary to any Society for 13 years,—the record of our late friend, who will be missed at the Congress this month.

Early Stamps Used as Postage Dues.—An English writer has just recently made a great deal of talk about his "discovery" (sic) that several early issues of certain countries were used both to prepay postage and as postage dues! Evidently it is not so widely known as I thought that most countries over 50 years ago used their prepaid franks as due stamps. Nearly all the West Indian colonies used them. It is not so great a time ago that I had a collection of covers. The U. S. and Canadian postal authorities often stuck adhesives on an insufficient or non-paid cover and cancelled it through with a pen stroke.

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A TRANSVAAL VARIETY.

Lot No. 225 of Messrs. Ventom, Bull and Cooper's auction of Feb. 21 was described as "TRANSVAAL: 1877. 'V.R. TRANSVAAL', coarse soft paper, 1d brick-red, variety with wider spaced overprint, uncatalogued, used on piece . . ."

Although this stamp was not actually known to the Society at the date of the publication of *Africa*, Part III, its existence was foreshadowed in that work (see pages 494 *et seq.*). The variety "V.R. and TRANSVAAL, wider spaced," occurs only in the first setting of the overprint "All Capitals," being in fact No. 11 on the pane. In the Society's work it was shown that there were at least four different settings of the "All Capitals" overprint—the first, second and third, and probably the fourth of this type were settings of forty in ordinary printer's type—corresponding to the positions of the forty stamps on the panes of stamps. In some cases the stamps were printed from the two plates in pairs arranged horizontally, and, as a matter of fact, the overprint is found on panes printed from each plate.

The number of stamps overprinted with this first setting must have been very small; it comprised probably the whole of those overprinted in red, all of which are scarce. Further, a small number of sheets were overprinted in black from this setting—at least, the characteristic varieties of the first setting have long been known in connection with all the red impressions, and in black in connection with the One Penny on hard sur-

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face paper, and Six Pence and One Shilling on white coarse soft paper, but these last three stamps, together with the One Penny and the Three Pence on coarse soft paper, were overprinted to a much greater extent with the second setting of "V.R. TRANSVAAL," and possibly with the third setting. The One Penny on pelure paper was also to a very small extent overprinted with the second setting, but so far it is not known overprinted with any other setting.

It may be convenient to state that the chief peculiarities of the first setting are as follows—the notation being taken from *Africa*, Part III :—

Ab: occurring on No. 1 of the panes. No stop after "R" of "V.R."
Ac: occurring on No. 7 of the panes. No stop after "L" of "TRANSVAAL."
Ad 1: occurring on No. 5 of the pane. "L" of "TRANSVAAL" slightly raised.
Aa: occurring on No. 11. "V.R." and "TRANSVAAL" spaced widely (vertically).

It is true that a variety, no stop after "R" of "V.R.", occurs at least twice in the fourth setting, i.e. the setting employed for the Six Pence on rose-coloured paper, but in these the letters are spaced and arranged differently from No. 1 of the first setting. Further varieties Ac, Ad 1, and Aa are not known in the fourth setting.

When the number and nature of the various settings was established, it became clear that these varieties did not occur once in every forty stamps having the overprint in black, because the bulk of the "All Capital" stamps overprinted "V.R. TRANSVAAL" in black ink, the One Penny on hard surfaced paper, the One Penny, Six Pence, and One Shilling on white coarse soft paper, belonged to the second setting. At the date of the publition of *Africa*, Part III, the One Penny on the coarse soft paper was known with the above varieties, Ab, Ad 1, and Ac. The two former, which belonged to the present writer, coincided with the similar varieties of the first setting in every respect, i.e. as regards alignment of the letters of the overprint and other details, and it was a fair inference that they belonged to the first setting, and therefore that the more striking variety, Aa, must also have existed.

The present writer has not actually seen the specimen sold at Messrs. Ventom, Bull and Cooper's auction, and by way of caution it must be remembered that the One Penny on white coarse soft paper exists without overprint, and therefore forgery of the overprint is admissible, but he is informed that the specimen in question was purchased by a gentleman who is well known as an expert in the issues of the Transvaal.

Some day perhaps there may come to light another variety which has hitherto not been recorded but whose probable existence was indicated in *Africa*, Part III, viz., the error "Transvral" with the overprint inverted.—*London Philatelist.*

THE "SPECIMEN" STAMPS.

From Berliner Briefm. Zeitung.

By L. HARALD KJELLSTEDT.

(*Continued.*)

Victoria has, as far as the author knows, no reprints overprinted with "Specimen," but on the other hand we find that this country has sent exchange copies overprinted "Reprint" to the other postal administrations. As "Specimen" stamps from this country we note Senf's No. 90, 8p brown, waterm. "10," with a peculiarly twisted vertical overprint "Specimen." The issue of 1885 is found with black or blue, horizontal "Specimen" measuring 16 mm. and of a script type. The charity stamps of 1897, 1p blue and 2½p red brown appear with small, red overprint in italics, measuring 12 mm.

In general it is advisable to exercise great care with the "Specimen" stamps of the older issues of the Colonies mentioned as to their genuineness. The specimen stamps of the latest issues, on the other hand, can be accepted as genuine all through.

We have also to mention that a few series of the reprints of *Portugal and its Colonies* have been found overprinted Specimen, nor should the *Hawaiian* stamps of this nature be overlooked. In order to make the list of reprint "Specimens" as complete as possible, and turning to the native Indian states, we find that Mr. Kohl in his large catalogue and handbook states that all the *Nabha* reprints of 1885-91 as well as most of the 1887-90 reprints of the official stamps were overprinted "Specimen".

To list in a systematic order the official Specimen stamps which have appeared since the exchange through the Bureau at Berne was started is a very difficult undertaking. As previously referred to, it is only a part of the different administrations which overprint the stamps used for exchange purposes, but even those who do so are not strict in adhering to this method. Thus one issue may be sent to Berne without the overprint while the next appearing issue will have it. Great Britain and its Colonies have been the most regular in regard to the overprinting, although not free from omissions. In some cases Colonies have sent their new issues to Berne without the overprint or with only the high values overprinted. Hongkong, at one time, trimmed off the perforations along the sides of the stamps, and pasted them down solid.

The author states that the following list is more of an enumeration of things he has found than a real check list, but it should be taken into consideration, that, besides extensive personal researches, he has had access to the abundant stock and information which are in the hands of Mr. Philipp Kosack. Consequently his list, even if incomplete, can be accepted by collectors as the most serviceable which has been published up to the present time.

Argentine, besides the presentation copies previously referred to, the issue of 1891-1892 (portrait designs) with diagonal, sharp overprint "Muestra" 13 mm. long. Of the 1, 5 and 20 pesos not less than 2000 copies were overprinted, thus far in excess of the needs of the Bureau at Berne.

Bulgaria—The issues of 1881-1882, and 1886 with diagonal overprint "Specimen" in Russian characters. The issue of 1882 is also found marked Specimen by handwriting in black, blue or red ink. The marking consists of three letters taken from the Russian word which corresponds to "Specimen" and looks like a capital O, a figure 6 and a lower case p placed together, thus "O6p". The issue of 1889 is found overprinted Specimen in black. The word is 14 mm. long.

China.—Issue of 1898 with sharp, quite ornamental overprint "Specimen" 10 mm. long. This issue is also known pasted down on a printed form for presentation purposes.

Costa Rica.—The 1, 2, 5, 10 and 40c values with "Muestra" in red or black, and the issue of 1889 complete, probably with the exception of the 10 pesos, with black overprint "Specimen".

Cuba.—Issue 1896-97, Newspaper, with overprint "Muestra".

Curacao.—Issue of 1891 (small queen) with black, horizontal overprint "Specimen" in two types, similar to those used on the British Colonies. The overprint is 20 mm. long. All the postage due stamps, or probably all, are found similarly overprinted.

Germany strived in vain to get the other administrations to adopt a special recognition mark on the stamps sent to Bern, and it is first during the late years that the German administration began to overprint such of its own stamps which were sent to administrations which also adhered to the principle of overprinting. This "Specimen" overprint is black, horizontal, and 12½ mm. long. So far known are the issues of 1880 and 1900, and the Colonies, with the exception of Marianna Islands, Togo, Cameroons, and the obsolete values of Kiauchou, Morocco, China, Levant with "Reichspost," and the pesa values of East Africa.

Finland.—The 5 and 10 mark of the issue of 1898 with black overprint "Specimen".

Greece.—Single copies of the issue of 1876-1885 are known with black Specimen overprint but were perhaps overprinted at the same time as the issue of 1886-88. All issues after the last mentioned have been overprinted. Of the Postage Due stamps we find the 2, 5, 10, 40, 70, 80 and 90l, and 1 and 2dr, but only with the wider perforation, and the 1, 20, 60, 100 and 200l of 1876 with the narrow perforation, all overprinted "Specimen" horizontally, in red, with the word 11 mm. long.

Honduras.—Beginning with at least the issue of 1890, its postage and official stamps have been overprinted Specimen in red with the word inclined and 16 mm. long. There is a period after Specimen on these overprints.

Columbia.—The registration stamps of 1889, 10c red on yellow, is most likely the only Columbian stamp which has been furnished with the overprint "Muestra".

Liberia.—The issue of 1896 and probably those following have a black, horizontal Specimen overprint 18 mm. long.

Mexico.—All issues after 1899 are found overprinted "Muestra" in black.

Netherlands.—The issue of 1891 with black, typographed, horizontal Specimen overprint 15 mm. long. The Postage Due stamps of 1881-87 have been similarly overprinted.

Dutch Indies.—The issues of 1887 and 1892-95 with black, horizontal "Specimen" 15 mm. long. The Postage Due stamps of 1888, at least the 30c, are found with black, horizontal "Specimen" stamped by hand. The issue of 1892-1909 has "Specimen" typographed horizontally in black.

Obock.—Of the issue of 1893 we find the 2 and 5 francs with vertical overprint "Specimen". On the 2fr it is printed in red, and in black on the 5fr.

Eastern Roumalia.—The 5, 10, 20p and 1 piastre of the issue of 1881, perf. 13½, have been marked in handwriting, in red or violet ink, with "Oóp." The 5 piastres, as well as the 10 and 20p of the issue 1884 have been overprinted similar to Bulgaria.

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EDITORIAL.

Morris to the Rescue—Our item that appeared two weeks ago, embodying the question of an English reader on the subject of guide-lines on the sheets of the United States issues, 1894 designs, has been productive of an interesting explanation from Chas. R. Morris, Washington, to which we are pleased to give prominence elsewhere. Mr. Morris assures us that the inquiries that our correspondent may make further will have his attention and so we have a symposium that will be gainful indeed to the students who have concerned themselves with the guide-lines, in prospect. We tender our thanks to Mr. Morris for his work, actual and anticipatory.

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Old Postage Term—An inquiry relative to the term "single letter" as used in connection with early rates of postage in the United States allows of the explanation that a single letter was composed of one piece of paper. A letter of two pieces of paper was charged double the rate for a single letter; of three pieces, with triple; and of four pieces with quadruple postage. However, so early as 1835, one or more pieces of paper, mailed as a letter, and weighing one ounce was charged with quadruple postage; and at the same rate for greater weight. Further, at that time, everything not coming under the denomination of newspapers or pamphlets was charged with letter postage.

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Before the Pony Express—Before the advent of the Pony Express, the quickest time ever made across the continent was twenty-one days, the record having been held by the Butterfield stage line, a company whose schedule for mail from New York to San Francisco was twenty-three days. From the meagre data at hand it is gathered that the Butterfield line which was patronized with some liberality especially by the public in the terminal cities issued nothing in the way of franked envelopes, the ordinary governmental envelopes having been utilized. The company's charge for the transportation was collected by the agents, evidently, even though this method did not seem to afford the control or direct security that was a feature of the company franked stamped envelopes.

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Franking Abuse—Before the department stamps were issued in 1873, there were many suggestions made as to the manner of curbing the franking privilege which was abused almost from the year of its authorization, 1782, but particularly so after the civil war. It was proposed that stamps be used but the issue of distinctive stamps, as the department sets, was a consequence of the fear that ordinary stamps would be used irregularly. From a record of the times we quote: "It has been suggested that in lieu of the franking privilege now allowed by law to members of Congress and others, they should be furnished with postage stamps, to be paid for out of the contingent fund of the House. If the privilege is to be extended in any shape, let it be under that of the franking system; for the moment stamps are substituted, that very moment a rush for 'cash representatives' will be most eagerly sought for, and the contingent fund, to use a modern phrase will 'be soon swallowed up.' There would, of course, be less franking of public documents by the use of stamps, but a far more extensive use of them for other purposes. This has been very clearly illustrated in some of our States where the stamps have been substituted for franking. If, however, the postage stamp system should be adopted, let the transmission of books, &c., be forwarded, under the direction of the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House, by the ordinary mode of conveyance. This would be a check on those extravagant members who consider it a duty due their constituents to supply them with books enough to make a library. In one single instance, a member from Utah, in 1858, cost the government over seven thousand dollars by the transmission of books, &c."

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Wanted Fac-similes—A curious phase of the franking question was developed in 1865 when certain members of Congress had asked permission from the post-office department to aid a cause which while not entirely within the pale of exemption from postage was of appealing merit, by an irregular use of their franks. The expectation was to frank documents relative to the treatment of northern soldiers in southern prisons by franks of members or by fac-simile stamps. The intention was to have the postmaster at Boston respect the franks of members of either House or Senate at Boston while the members were at Washington, the seat of government. The first assistant postmaster-general would not sanction the plan and in his letter conveying his refusal quoted from the regulations that "no privileged person can leave his frank behind him to cover his correspondence in his absence," etc. As to fac-simile stamps, the officer said: "The use of a fac-simile stamp for franking letters or packets by Senators or members of Congress has never been authorized or approved by this department in any way; but, on the contrary, the postmaster-general has invariably decided against the use of such stamps whenever the question has been brought to his notice, for the reason, among others, that it affords an opportunity to perpetrate frauds upon the department and its revenues to an almost unlimited extent."

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Great Gathering—The second Philatelic Congress of Great Britain will open in London on April 27th, 1910, and the exercises will extend over Thursday and Friday, the 28th and 29th, respectively. The programme is an admirable compilation of philatelic attractions diversified so as to embrace a wide range, even though it reflects philately in a most proper and dignified aspect. The congress is held under influential patronage and the names of those on the programme are a guarantee of merit. There will be forty societies represented by the ninety delegates. The good work accomplished at the Manchester congress in 1909 will have a worthy complement at London.

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Philatelic Statistics—Those who are in stamps in a professional way, so to say, must not neglect to give due regard to philately in their answers to certain of the questions on the census sheet.

DEATH OF THEODORE SHECKELS.

Chas. R. Morris informs us that Theodore Sheckels, the secretary of the D. of C. Branch of the A. P. S., died April 13, of pneumonia. We do not have at hand any facts that we can give in connection with Mr. Sheckels' philatelic career. He took a decided interest in the national society and was present at the Atlantic City convention last year.

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The value of the WEEKLY as an advertising medium could not have a heartier endorsement than the following from one of our largest patrons, the Hussman Stamp Co. We quote their letter in full:—

St. Louis, Mo., April 11, 1910.
Willard O. Wylie, Managing Editor,
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The reply sent was "Certainly" and commencing this week the Hussman corner on page eight will become a permanent feature. And this too in the face of the fact that we are supposed to see shortly our annual vacation from stamps and stamp collecting. Evidently the Hussman company intends to compel our readers to do business right through the summer season.

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Honduras 1898, Revenues, postally used, 142, 5c yellow; 144, 10c gray, each ..... .20
Ecuador 1904 Jubilee, 1, 2, 5, 10 ..... .15
Nicaragua 1909, Officials, mint, complete set .65
" " Regular. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 15, 20, 50c and 1 peso ..... .35
Ecuador 1895-96, revenues 351-354, cancelled .. .10
" 1909, Independence, 1c to 20c ..... .20
" 1907, triangle set 1, 2, 5, 10c ..... .15
Paraguay 1908, 1c to 1 peso ..... .30
" 1908, 1c to 60c ..... .15
" 1909 1c to 60c 10 stamps ..... .25
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1906, *3h olive ..... .02
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1894, 10s red, pelure paper ..... .02
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1903, 10s on 15s lilac rose and black ..... .02
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1892-93, 8c slate ..... .02
8c violet black ..... .02
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GUIDE LINES ON U. S. STAMPS.

By CHARLES R. MORRIS

The inquiry of your English correspondent has been noted by me as you desire. I am always more than glad to afford such information as I have or can obtain for anyone who is interested.

The question asked was why the horizontal guide line appeared *through the panes* of 100 stamps when they were printed 200 subjects to the plate but did not appear *through the panes* when printed 400 subjects to the plate.

Possibly an explanation of the perforating machines will help to a better understanding of the answer. These machines consist of two large rollers, the upper one having the teeth and the lower one the holes for the teeth to fit into. Ordinarily the middle rollers are knives instead of perforating wheels. On the front side of the machine extends a feeding board on which is stretched a thread from the middle pair of wheels to the edge nearest the operator. Under this thread the operator slips the sheet of stamps to be perforated and gets the guide line directly under the thread. This "squares" the paper with the rollers and causes them to cut exactly straight if the paper has been laid as indicated.

When the sheets were made with but 200 stamps they were arranged 20 horizontally and 10 vertically. The first operation in the perforating room was to perforate vertically and cut the sheet into two panes of 100 each. These panes of 100 were then taken to another machine which had no knives in order that the whole sheet might be perforated horizontally and left in the full pane of 100 stamps but it was necessary to guide the sheet as before and so the line is put through the middle of the sheet for that purpose.

With the sheets of 400 stamps the operations are the same except that the first operation results in two sheets of 200 stamps and the second operation cuts those into the panes of 100 in which size they are always shipped to Postmasters.

The accompanying diagram will perhaps explain it better.

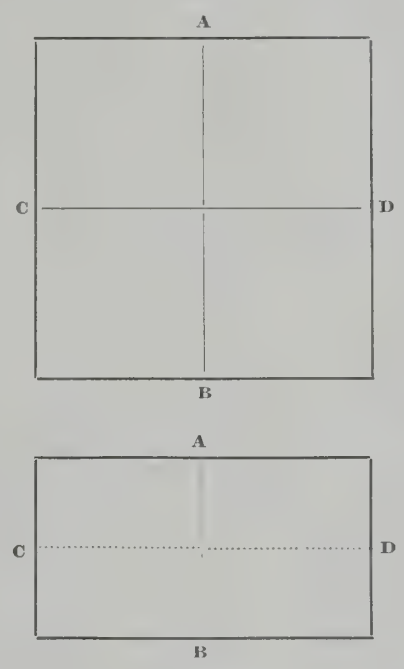

Fig. 1 represents a sheet of 400 and the guide lines AB and CD are cut dividing the sheet into four panes of 100 stamps. Fig 2 represents a sheet of 200. Guide line AB is cut but the line CD is perforated.

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E. L. Green of Philadelphia writes that he has found a copy of the 20 cigarette stamp, series of 1883, surcharged "Series of 1898". He did not say whether the surcharge was printed or rubber stamp. The editor hopes to have full details later.

N. M. Townley, Jr., writes that he recently found a copy of Scott's No. 272a, the 8c puce of 1895, showing the watermark R. This is one of the unpriced minor varieties and undoubtedly very rare. It stands in a peculiar position, in that it possesses interest for all collectors of U. S. stamps, whether they specialize in postage or revenue stamps. Mr. Townley wrote for information as to the value and rarity of his find, but the editor has to admit that he knows nothing about it, and any information will be gratefully received and acknowledged.

State revenues are booming. Now it is Tennessee that is in the limelight with a set of special revenues for feeds, grass, clover and cereal seeds. The entire series has not yet been seen, but the following values are in the possession of J. Delano Bartlett:—

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1 " 10 " red.
¼ cent, 25 " green.
½ " 50 " blue.
¾ " 75 " brown.
1 " 100 " black.

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GRASSES AND CLOVERS.

2 cents, ¼ bushel, green.
3 " ½ " "
5 " 1 " "
10 " 2 " "
12½ " 2½ " "
35 " 7 " "

CEREAL SEED.

1 cent, ½ bushel, red.
2 " 1 " "
5 " 2½ " orange.
10 " 5 " "

The stamps of these two sets measure ⅝x2 in. They also have "Tenessee" in the upper ornament and are signed by the Commissioner of Agriculture. They are very ordinary looking stamps, but are out and out State revenues and should be collected by all revenue enthusiasts.

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Edited by HENRY A. KIDDER.

Any information regarding new issues will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Address HENRY A. KIDDER, 17 Addison St., Arlington, Mass. Letters calling for a reply should contain a self-addressed, stamped envelope. We cannot give applicants the addresses of our correspondents.

UNITED STATES.—Dr. H. Keidanz reports having the provisional 2c revenue of 1898, with double impression of the surcharge.

AUSTRIA.—*Maury's Collectionneur* notes the issue of two newspaper bands, with stamp showing Mercury's head to the right.

Wrappers.

2h blue on light yellow.
2h blue on light blue.

BAVARIA.—*L'Echo* says this country is to issue all values of postage stamps, 3pf to 80pf in rolls of 1000 stamps, each roll to cost 22pf over the face value.

BOLIVIA.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 5c and 10c of the current commemorative set, as noted in No. 995.

COLOMBIA.—This country is to join the commemorative procession, and will celebrate the Centenary of its Independence next June by the issue of series of postage stamps from 1 centavo to 1 peso. These stamps will be current until Feb. 28, 1911.

CRETE.—*Ewen's Weekly* notes a new issue of the 1l postage due, with surcharge "Hellas" in large "block" type.

ELOBEY, ANNOBON ET CORISCO.—Two new surcharges have appeared, the 1c and 2c stamps of 1907 being surcharged "Habilitado" and new value in red.

Provisional Adhesives.

5c on 1c dark violet.
5c on 2c black.

GREAT BRITAIN.—*Offices in the Levant.*—Our foreign contemporaries note three varieties of surcharge in the 1¾ piastre on 4d orange. The difference lies in the shape of the figure "4".

GUATEMALA.—*Maury's Collectionneur* says that the current 1c, 2c, 5c, 10c and 12c stamps having become exhausted, the 6c commemorative stamp recently issued is to be surcharged with new values pending the appearance of a new series.

ITALY.—It is proposed to issue a 5c stamp to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the liberation of Sicily. This stamp will bear the portrait of Garibaldi, and will be issued in connection with the celebration at Palermo.

JAIPUR.—Mr. Schachne has the ¼ anna card for this Indian state and we find that the stamp is as illustrated in Senf's catalog but the color is lake, both stamp and headlines. At upper center is a sun with rays, between two flags—at left of this are two lines of Indian characters and at right is "Jaipur State—Post Card" in two lines of Roman capitals. Below all this is a third line of Indian 72 mm. long. The card is white and 137x88 size. Senf lists a card as olive-yellow on rose—last July *Ewen's* told us a ¼d yellow had been issued. Can any one inform us if there is more than one card or were these early chroniclers in error.

Mr. Morse reports having an East India ¼a card of 1879 with "Jeypore" within a single line rectangle 38x7½ in black just below the headlines and wonders if it is a legitimate issue. Can any one inform him?

MEXICO.—*Smith's Circular* notes the 2c envelope in a new color.

Envelope.

2c green.

PERSIA.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us seven values of a new set of stamps from this country, but we are not able to say whether it is the same set noted in No. 995, a mistake possibly having been made in the first chronicle. The stamps just shown us are in two colors and printed on a very soft silky white paper, the centre being in the same color on all values.

Adhesives.

1c orange and violet brown.
2c purple and violet brown.
3c green and violet brown.
6c vermilion and violet brown.
9c gray violet and violet brown.
10c violet and violet brown.
13c blue and violet brown.

RUSSIA.—*Offices in the Levant.*—As noted in No. 986, the current Levant stamps are appearing with the name of the Turkish Offices overprinted as well as the values in Turkish money. The New England Stamp Co. shows us the 35 and 70 piastres stamps, overprinted "Constantinople", the second "N" being replaced by a "U".

SPANISH GUINEA—The 1c and 2c of 1907 have been surcharged "Habilitado" and new value in red.

Provisional Adhesives.

5c on 1c dark green.
5c on 2c dark blue.

SWITZERLAND.—The item regarding the current 2c tête bêche in No. 1007 should have been credited to the Frank P. Brown Co.

NEW CONFEDERATE ENVELOPES.

(The Scott Stamp & Coin Co. in their *Circular* announce some newly discovered Confederate envelopes. Two Thomasvilles illustrated show in the one instance "PAID 5" while the other has the same marking in a circular design with the additional wording "Thomasville, Ga." A. C. Roessler writing us states that three Thomasville locals seen by him were addressed to Milledgeville. We quote from the *Circular* the following interesting story.—ED.)

Thomasville, Georgia, 5c black on white.
Thomasville, Georgia, 5c black (circular) on white.
Knoxville, Tenn., 10c red on white.
Knoxville, Tenn., 10c red on orange.

Delay in obtaining the cuts for illustrating has prevented the earlier chronicling of some newly discovered Confederate envelopes which we were fortunate in obtaining early in the present season. The first of the two Thomasvilles which we illustrate has been known for some years to exist in this type, but a single specimen has failed to show any evidence that it was sold as a stamped envelope by the postmaster, and thus worthy of recognition as a catalogue variety. There turned up, however, in some old correspondence, a series of these envelopes, showing not only the straight design "Paid 5", with the postmaster's dating stamp used as a control mark, (the date on all these being the same and evidently that on which the envelopes were prepared or sold,) and then cancelled with postmarks of later and varying dates. Following these envelopes, and bearing later postmarks, came the round design illustrated above, the postmaster evidently having found the demand for his envelopes large enough to pay him to secure a special hand-stamp for their preparation.

The entire series was submitted by us to the best experts whose opinion was such that we shall follow their verdict by cataloguing.

At the same time, we add two others to the list of known varieties of Confederate envelopes. Mr. H. W. Legg has turned up a Knoxville, 10c red, of the same design as the 5c blue, our type E1. His copy is on white paper, and Mr. John N. Luff, in the course of investigating the specimen succeeded in discovering a copy of the same stamp on orange. It is a long time since we have listed all at once four newly discovered Confederates.

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Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

A. P. S. HISTORICAL NOTES.

By H. A. DAVIS, Pres. Col. Branch No. 22.

Year 1907, 22nd Annual Convention.

In February Sec. Henkels dropped 91 members for non-payment of dues. The Year Book was mailed in March.

March 30th, the following nominations for Board of Directors made by the New England Branch were published: President, Jno. N. Luff, N. Y.; Bd. V. Pres., E. de Z. Kelley, C. A. Howes, L. L. Green, all of Mass.; Sec., H. A. Davis, Colo.; Int. Sec., L. H. Kjellstedt, Pa.; Treas., H. G. Smith, Minn.; Directors, H. J. Crocker, Calif., F. R. Conrwall, Mo.

April 20th, the following nominations were published by the Chicago Branch: President, E. Doeblin, Pa.; Bd. V. Pres., H. W. Wolseley, F. Michael, C. F. Mann, all of Ill.; Sec., F. W. Coning, N. J.; Int. Sec., J. A. Klemann, N. Y.; Treas., D. T. Eaton, Ia.; Directors, J. W. Prevost, Mass., F. R. Cornwall, Mo.

July 6th, President Stone announced that the 22nd annual convention would be called to order in Denver, Tuesday, July 30th.

The 22nd annual convention was called to order by V. Pres. Mudge, Tuesday, July 30th, at 7.30 a. m., at the Albany Hotel Convention Hall. The meeting adjourned at 7.45 and was called to order on the summit of Pike's Peak, 14,447 ft. above sea level, at 3.30 p. m., where the result of the election was announced. The 3rd meeting of the first session was called to order at the Albany Hotel Hall at 9.30 p. m.

There were in attendance 59 members, 1 applicant and 52 guests; 786 were represented by proxy.

The secretary's report showed the membership to be 1175, a gain of 349 members for the fiscal year; 91 were dropped for non-payment of dues, 23 resigned, deceased 7, expelled 3, suspended for one year 1; 426 new stockholders were added and 48 were reinstated.

The treasurer's report showed receipts to be $1272.68, disbursements $1223.89, balance general fund $48.79, stock account $2683.00, Insurance $667.38, Exchange account $35.90.

Stamps to the amount of $59,458.29 were entered in the Sales Department. The sales amounted to $8809.14.

Columbus was selected as the next convention seat with a vote of 735 against 49 for Rockford, 8 for Atlantic City, 2 for Niagara Falls and 1 for Chicago.

MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS was elected official journal.

The ticket nominated by the New England Branch was elected. It was voted to use the Australian ballot system in the future in voting for Directors. Proxy holders were limited to 50 votes.

$150.00 was voted for use of the Recruiting Committee.

It was voted that no charter or certificate of stock should be issued to any Branch society except on formal application to and acted upon at the regular annual convention.

The convention delegates and visitors were entertained by the Denver Stamp Club. A reception and display of collections was held Monday evening. Tuesday a trip was made to the summit of Pike's Peak, 92 miles distant. The afternoon of Wednesday was spent in "seeing Denver" by trolley.

A banquet was given the members at the Albany Hotel Wednesday evening. Thursday afternoon Elitch's Gardens were open to the visitors, as also the theatre in the evening.

At the end of the year the total membership was 1318.

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*123		8x2 on 2r	12.00	4.50
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*163, 164, 165, 168, 169, 170, 175			.75	.25
178	1897	1c claret	1.50	.65
182		15 on 15	.75	.25
*192, 193, 194, 196, 199, 203, 206, 207			1.04	.50
*208	1898	60c	.75	.30
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1857 1c, Type II	1.00	.50
5c, " I, fair	4.00	..
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1861 10c August on cover, quite good	7.50	3.00
10c " repaired, looks fine	7.50	1.75
5c buff, fine color	7.50	2.90
5c " repaired, looks fine	7.50	1.75
90c blue, fine	3.50	2.00
90c " slight tear,fine looking	3.50	1.35
1868 24c, heavy canc	5.00	1.40
30c, pair	4.00	1.25
90c, not fine, good space filler	12.00	3.00
1869 15c, no frame, fine	3.50	2.00
15c, " poorly centered	3.50	.90
15c, framed, fine	..	.85
*15c, o. g., fine	6.00	2.75
*24c, o. g., perfs. cut at top, fine	12.50	5.00
30c, fine	..	1.75
90c, very bright color, fair copy	15.00	6.75
24c repaired, looks fine	5.00	1.60
24c, another, "	..	1.00
1870 6c, fair copy, embossed	3.50	1.25
7c, off center	3.50	1.00
1871 24c, good copies	1.50	.70
90c, average "	1.25	.75
1872 7c, fine	.75	.45
7c, average	.75	.30
90c, fine	2.50	1.25
*90c, o. g., thin spot	5.00	1.75
1878 *90c, o. g., fine color	7.50	2.90
1893 Columbian *1c to $5.00, o. g., a good set, cheap	..	16.00
1898 *$1.00, o. g., fine	..	1.50
$1.00, fine used copy	..	1.00
*$2.00, without gum, centered	..	2.25
*1c to 10c	..	.55
Same used	..	.18
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Same used	..	.18
St. Louis *1 to 10c, o.g	..	.45
1895 $5.00	..	1.85
Imperf. Lincoln, single or blocks	..	.05
" Alaska-Yukon, H-Fulton, each	..	.04

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*10c, o. g	10.00	3.75
Interior, set complete, good	..	2.00
Set complete, fair	..	1.75
Justice *1c, o. g	..	.70
* 2c, o. g., fine	3.00	1.45
3c, used, average	..	.25
10c, "	2.50	1.10
*12c, o. g	3.00	1.20
Post Office, set complete,o.g., fine set	10.63	3.90
Set complete, used	..	2.50
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*15c, o. g	3.00	1.10
15c, used	2.50	.90
*30c	5.00	2.00
30c, used	3.00	1.10
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* 2c, o. g., corner repaired	5.00	1.00
*15c, o. g., centered E	4.50	1.20
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Baden 18kr, slight tear	4.00	1.25
Barbados 4d, No. 4, fine	4.00	1.65
1874, 5sh, slight defect, looks fine	10.00	4.75
1882, *5sh, o. g	..	3.25
1892, *1f to 2sh 6d, o. g	..	1.75
1897, 2sh 6d, scarce	..	2.25
" 1f to 2sh 6d, used	..	4.25
Canada 6d, No. 5, good copy	6.00	2.00
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½d, used, fine	3.50	1.60
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1882, 3c, imperforate pair	14.00	5.85
1897 Jubilee, ½ to $5, nice used set	..	8.50
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" $5.00, fine clean copy	..	2.00
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Cooper, Harold.	Weaver, H. R.
Martin, Donald W.	Stevens, Edw. W.
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Haynes, Geo. E.	

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Smith, Emil, 171 Albany Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.; age 29; Bank Clerk. Reference: National City Bank. Proposed by John A. Klemenn, No. 2223.
Moore, Mrs. F. P., 1429 Woodland Ave., Canton, Ohio; age legal. Reference: Mrs. Ira R. Young, A. P. S. No. 3532. Proposed by W. G. Saxton, No. 973.
Hill, Rev. John Clark, Springfield, Ohio; age 61; Clergyman. Reference: Mad River National Bank. Proposed by I. C. Greene, No. 2676.
Pease, Roger Quincy, Newton Centre, Mass.; age 28; Salesman. Reference: American Trust Co., Boston. Proposed by I. C. Greene, No. 2676.
Welling, R. N., 202 Penna Block, Butte, Mont.; age 16; Concert Violinist. Reference: W. R. Deem, Deem Piano House. Proposed by Geo. K. Smith, Jr., No. 2472. Guaranteed by father, J. W. Welling, 715 W. Broadway.
Gove, F. L., 1213 Chestnut St., Oakland, Cal.; age 46; Clerk. Reference: W. P. Fuller & Co. Proposed by A. L. Ott.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3763. Bell, Sidney E., Leominster, Mass.
3764. Zumstein, Ernst, Berne, Switzerland.
3765. Packard, L. J., Pasadena, Cal.
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3767. Wehe, Carl E., Topeka, Kansas.
3768. Baker, B. D., Mattoon, Ill.
3769. McLenegan, Chas., Milwaukee, Wis.
3770. Edwards, Brice, Jr., St. Charles, Mo.
3771. Jacobs, A. B., San Francisco, Cal.
3772. Taite, Harry L., Cleveland, Ohio.
3773. Reymann, Otto C., Pittsburg, Pa.
3774. Lehmann, Carl W., Cleveland, O.
3775. Mack, Lames, Cleveland, Ohio.

APPLICATION FOR REINSTATEMENT.

1782. Seeba, Fred C., Box 168, San Francisco, Cal. Proposed by H. S. Adair, No. 2447.

RESIGNATION RECEIVED.

3587. North, Wm. R., Solvay, N. Y.
3370. Nocht, Mrs. Ewald, 173 Montclair Ave., Montclair, N. J.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

2264. Fernold, A. R., from Euclid Ave. to 208 Hazlewood Ave., Detroit, Mich.
185. Kirtland, Arthur M., from Mt. Vernon to 81 E 125th St., New York, N. Y.
3008. Butler, B. D., from Minneapolis to 522 W. Monroe St., Chicago, Ill.
2890. Casler, C. B., from York, Neb., to care Adams Express Co., Colorado Springs, Colo.

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Total membership April 16, 1910,	1888
New stockholders,	13
Total membership April 23, 1910,	1901

On December 8, 1909, there was sent to the Secretary a check for $3.60, presumably for payment of dues for three persons, evidently in Chicago. The check is drawn on the Continental National Bank of Chicago and is not signed. Can anyone assist the Secretary in determining whose name should have been placed on the check.

Things in the Secretary's office are coming along nicely. The New Stock Exchange Certificates should be in very shortly and will be issued immediately upon receipt. Those members that have not yet received the first number of the *American Philatelist* should notify this office as it is desired that every member receive the same. Number two will be out in two weeks.

H. S. ADAIR, Sec.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—The *Baltimore News* of April 16 contained a Burroughs story sent out by the A. P. S. educational committee. It has a Roosevelt flavor, the article dealing with animal stamps, particularly those common to Africa. Will our subscribers let us know in what papers this story is printed?

—Elmer Rominger, Bloomfield, Iowa, would be glad to receive any duplicate foreign or U. S. stamps that our readers would like to bestow upon him. Mr. Rominger is an invalid, suffering from the effects of rheumatism, and compelled to lie in bed all the time. His delight is in stamp collecting and any favors rendered will be appreciated.

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The present business was begun in October 1894, though for the previous year Mr. Brown had been secretary of a local stamp company. His first sale was made to F. W. Ayer of Bangor, Me., who was then in the hey-day of his stamp collecting career. His first full month's sales were over $1000 and since that time the business has shown a steady increase, until at the present time he claims that not over four or five concerns in the United States have a larger gross overturn.

Mr. Brown's most notable find was the discovery in 1895 of eight 3c 1880 envelopes, Die C, on blue, and strange as it may seem, none of these have since been found. This too in view of the fact that there must have been at least 500 of them printed.

A notable purchase was a block of seventy-five 1c Pan-American inverts. At the same time he refused to trade a 1c for a 2c invert, believing that the latter would become the more common of the two. No more 2c, however, came to light, while a month later three hundred more of the 1c turned up.

In 1902 Mr. Brown made a trip to the Danish West Indies, where he discovered the stamp now listed as No. 23 and also the No. 24b. His most recent achievement was the sale of the famous collection of the late John K. Tiffany. In its time the collection was one of the most famous.

He has a valuable assistant in the person of W. L. Aldrich, an active and interested member of the Boston Philatelic Society.

Mr. Brown has a wife and two children and resides in Malden, where he is pleasantly situated. He objects to having his picture published in the WEEKLY but imagines that he is as good looking as the general run of stamp dealers.

AMONG THE STAMP SHOPS.

There is no city in the country that can compare with Boston in the extent of its stamp business, unless New York should claim the honor. We have given extended mention in this issue to the firms using our columns regularly, but there are a number of other firms of which mention should be made.

On Tremont St., near Boylston, is the office of the Liberty Stamp Co., Geo. Flagg, manager. This company has been established for some years and does a good office trade.

Warren H. Colson, a dealer in rarities, is well known to WEEKLY readers. Formerly connected with the New England Stamp Co., he engaged in business for himself a few years ago and is now known on both sides of the Atlantic as an authority on high-class stamps. He is at 184 Boylston St.

W. E. Coburn of Everett, Mass., advertises with us occasionally, his two-column advertisement of last week giving the reader a fair idea of the stock he handles. He is a good patron of the auction sale and many a collector has profited by his skillful buying. Mr. Coburn has a Boston office on Bromfield St. where he will be glad to see visiting collectors.

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HISTORY OF THE BOSTON SOCIETY.

By Ex-Pres. C. A. Howes.

Abridged from Previous Article and Brought Up to Date.

Presidential Roster.

Willard C. Van Derlip,	1891-1898
Harlow E. Woodward,	1899-1901
M. H. Lombard,	1902-1903
C. F. Rothfuchs,	1904-1905
C. A. Howes,	1906-1907
L. L. Green,	1908-1909
Willard O. Wylie,	1910-

The Boston Philatelic Society may not be as old as some of the stamp societies now active, but it is at least one of the largest and most influential. It is now in its nineteenth year and gives every promise of living to a hale and hearty old age. Boston was somewhat behind the times, it must be admitted, in making a move to gather the philatelic interests of its vicinity into a working organization, but very few cities have been more successful in the final outcome of the society thus formed. A call circular was issued under date of Feb. 13, 1891, for a meeting of those interested, to be held on the evening of Feb. 18, at the office of F. W. Sprague, 2d, Room 25, 620 Atlantic Ave., and was signed by W. C. Van Derlip, Harlow E. Woodward, C. M. Bradbury and F. W. Sprague, 2d. Seventeen assembled at the appointed time and Mr. Van Derlip was appointed Chairman and Mr. Bradbury Secretary *pro tem.* The principal remarks were made by Mr. Sprague, whose motion "that a philatelic society be formed to further the interests of the stamp collectors of Boston and vicinity" was the announcement of the society's birth. The entrance fee of $1 and annual dues of $2 were adopted. The name of "Boston Philatelic Society" was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Van Derlip offered his office at 3 Pemberton Sq. as a temporary place of meeting, which was accepted, and on Mar. 4, 1891, the first regular meeting of the society took place there.

The following officers were elected: Pres. W. C. Van Derlip; Vice-Pres., S. R. Sircom; Sec., C. M. Bradbury, and Treas., L. L. Green. The meetings were appointed for the second Wednesday of each month.

At the fifth meeting on May 13, the first auction sale was held, which realized $160. No meetings were held in July and August, and both the September and October meetings were nullified by lack of a quorum, only five being present at each.

Dec. 9, 1891 a new secretary was elected, for the ensuing year, C. W. H. Strongman being chosen, he in turn being succeeded at the following election, Dec. 14, 1892, by H. K. Sanderson.

Feb. 21, 1895 a notable auction sale was held at Elks' Hall, 66 being present. At the April meeting the *Boston Stamp Book* was chosen official journal. At the annual meeting in December, G. L. Toppan was elected secretary.

At the meeting held in January 1896 the design of the present membership card was adopted. At the June meeting a committee was appointed "to prepare a reference list of the documentary revenue stamps of the U. S.," this being the first work undertaken in accordance with the declared objects of the society along that line as expressed in the statutes.

June 18, 1897 $25.00 was subscribed to the Collectors' Club fund to help the defense in the famous periodical case brought by the U. S. government. At the December meeting it was voted to dispense with the annual February auction and to have a special program for the annual jollification, a practise which has been followed ever since.

In 1899 on account of the suspension of the *Boston Stamp Book* the *Weekly Philatelic Era* was selected as official journal. The Revenue Book in preparation for over three years was issued in November and has reflected a great deal of credit, not only on the authors but the society as well. At the November meeting it was voted to establish a philatelic library in co-operation with the Boston Public Library.

In November 1900 occurred the 100th regular meeting of the society with a special program including the exhibition of J. N. Luff's collection of United States.

The meeting held in January, 1901, was marked by the offer of a set of medals by the New England Stamp Co. for a series of competitive exhibits extending through the year. The committee appointed proved the pioneer of the entertainment committees that have done

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"	**Canal Zone**, mint, 1, 2, 5, 8 & 10c	.35
"	mint, 1c, "Z" of Zone missing, cat. $2.00, the pair showing both	1.00
1902	**Bolivia** 1, 2, 5, 10,20c & 2 bolivianos	.40
1897	**Brazil** 10, 20, 50, 100, 200, 300, 500, 700 & 1000 reis	.20
1906	10, 20, 50, 100, 200, 300, 400, 500, 700, 1000 and 2000 reis, cat. $1.12	.50
1908	Exposition 100r car. rose & 100 red	.10
1900	**Chile** 1, 2, 5, 10, 20 & 50c	.25
1902	1, 2, 5, 10, 30 & 50c	.25
1903	1, 5, 10 & 12c on 5c	.12
1905	1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 30 & 50c	.15
1910	**Bolivia** 1, 2, 5, 10 & 20c Jubilee	.15
1904	**Curacao** 2½, 5, 7½, 10, 12½ & 25c	.15
1905	**Danish West India** 5,10,20,25,40&50c	.35
1908	5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40 & 50c	.40
"	5, 10, 15, 20 & 25c	.12
1904	**Ecuador** 1, 2, 5 & 10c, cat. 48c	.25
1907	1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 20, 50c and 1 sucre	.45
1908	Triang'r mint, 1,2,5,10,20,50c, 1 sucre	1.35
"	" 1, 2, 5, 10c, used	.15
1896	1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50c & 1 sucre	.25
1909	1, 2, 3, 5 and 10c Jubilee	.12
1903	**Guatemala** 25c on 1c, 25 on 2c, and 25 on 6c	.12
1902	1,2,5,6,10,12½,20,75c,1 peso & 2 pesos	.30
1907	**Honduras** 1, 2, 5, 6, 10,20,50c & 1 peso	.30
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so much to build up interest in the society. On Sept. 17 a noteworthy Hawaiian exhibition took place, when sixteen "missionaries" and over one thousand numerals were amongst the stamps submitted for inspection.

Carl Willadt of Pforzheim, Germany, showed his interest in the society by presenting it with a silver cup in February 1902, the same to be competed for in a German States exhibit. In March, A. W. Batchelder and W. H. Colson were appointed delegates to the convention of the Dresden Philatelic Society. At the November meeting the Rhode Island Philatelic Society was entertained.

In April 1903 A. H. Weber presented the society with a silver challenge cup to be competed for annually in an exhibition of uncatalogued varieties. The first honorary member of the society was elected at the May meeting in the person of Mons. Paul Mirabaud who died May 13, 1908.

The Weekly Philatelic Era having merged into MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS, the latter paper was chosen as official journal at the April meeting in 1904. The prize essay on Siam presented at the December 1903 meeting was issued in pamphlet form the following September. At the December meeting it was voted to start a counterfeit collection.

In 1905 J. M. Bartels was appointed a delegate to the German convention at Regensburg, Bavaria. The Stamp Bourse was inaugurated. The sum of $25.00 was subscribed for the work of the National Stamp Committee.

One of the marked features for 1906 was the special meeting at Young's Hotel in honor of Fred J. Melville, president of the Junior Philatelic Society of London. About one hundred were present. The annual meeting of the A. P. S. was held in Boston and not the least of the series of successes attendant thereon was the public reception accorded by the local society.

Our meetings at Elks' Hall had taken place regularly since May 1895 but during the early part of 1907 a committee appointed to procure permanent headquarters recommened the securing of room 506, Kast Bldg. and here the society met for the first time Oct. 15, of that year. Informal meetings were established in December to occur regularly on the first Tuesday evening of each month.

During the years 1908 and 1909 the meetings have been marked by stamp exhibits of great merit, the members having been privileged to examine the most famous collections in America.

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from F. R. Albrecht, C.E. Thomas, Alvah G. Clark and Albert Gregg.

—"Have you ever had any bad news concerning one C. H. Arndt, 4453 Elmbank Ave., St. Louis? He has stuck H. M. Clark besides myself. We are about to put the P. O. Dept. on his case. Put his name on the black list and protect other patrons of MEKEEL'S WEEKLY. He mentioned your paper and gave four references, all of which were borrowed for the purpose of his own good."—E. W. GILSON.

THE J. M. BARTELS CO.

The J. M. Bartels Company was established in 1892 in Alexandria, Va. and consisted at the time of Messrs. Bartels and Thomas Semmes, whose interest in the business was later acquired by the late W. F. Lambert, but prior to the removal of the firm to Washington, D. C. in March 1896, J. M. Bartels had become sole owner. Within a few months Mr. W. W. Randall, now of New York, was taken into partnership which lasted about two years. It was through him that the firm published the first edition of Bartels' U. S. Envelope Catalogue, a work soon to appear in the fourth edition and generally known as the standard work in this line. Bartels' Catalogue of U. S. Plate Numbers made its appearance about the same time and was followed by three subsequent editions and several supplements. While in Washington Mr. Bartels became the local correspondent of several philatelic papers and through his writings became widely known throughout the country. His services were called upon by the Post Office Department to assist in the preparation of the stamp exhibits in Paris and Buffalo in 1900 and 1901.

Constantly increasing business, however, seemed to demand a wider field and the J. M. Bartels Company removed their business to Boston, July 4, 1901. This resulted in a great increase and additional assistants were soon necessary. The department of U. S. Envelopes was placed in the able hands of Dr. V. M. Berthold who soon rewrote the catalogue and distinguished himself through an exhaustive study of the Nesbitt series, the result of which was published in the *American Journal of Philately* and later in book form by the Scott Stamp & Coin Company. He has recently again rewritten Bartels' Envelope Catalogue to be published in a few months. This will be entirely a new work and contain many pleasant surprises to the numerous collectors in this line of philately. The complicated 1907 issue has of course received special attention.

In 1903 J. M. Bartels was appointed by the Postmaster General to serve his department as expert in preparing the government exhibit for the Louisiana Purchase Exposition at St. Louis, necessitating trips to that city and Washington.

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Other important works published by the J. M. Bartels Company and largely written by J. M. Bartels are:

"The Postage Stamps of the Philippines," a volume of 150 pages, fully illustrated;

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Mr. Bartels has been "Counterfeit Detector" for the American Philatelic Society for a number of years as well as International Secretary and a member of the Governing Board of the Boston Philatelic Society. He is a licensed auctioneer and his firm has held many successful auction sales.

He began stamp collecting in his native State, Virginia, at the age of seven but never joined the ranks of those who gave it up again, even for a short time. He has made numerous trips to Europe, spending several years in Germany and England. A material factor in his success proved to be a special study of languages, giving him a working knowledge also of French, Spanish, Italian, Dutch and Latin. He recently received a diploma of honor from the International Philatelic Society, Dresden, after a membership of twenty years. Besides he is a member of numerous other philatelic societies, holding honorary membership in the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club of Cleveland.

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EDITORIAL.

Our City—Boston, the home of the WEEKLY, is made the subject of a special number and the innate modesty of the paper in refraining from exploiting its own city until now will be appreciated by our readers whose delicate perceptions have so often and so happily been proved. Further, we shall not enlarge upon the philatelic virtues so abundantly possessed by Boston; nor descant upon its shining record of past achievement, its present activity of its future probabilities so loudly as merit deserves. In fact, not alone does a natural diffidence suggest this course but likewise a realization of the impossibility of doing justice to Boston's claims in the space at our disposal here confirms its wisdom.

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Its Prestige—Boston from the earliest days of philately has been an important center. It had its great collectors, its dealers and its philatelic literature in the '60s; and it vied with New York for precedence in those days. There was bitter rivalry between the leading dealers of each of these cities, evidence of which is to be found on the pages of the *American Stamp Mercury*, Boston, and the *American Journal of Philately*, New York. F. Trifet, a pioneer Boston dealer claimed to be the first one to issue complete catalogues in this country, and the first to quote stamps at both wholesale and retail. The commercial supremacy while endangered occasionally in the past has endured to this day and a glance at the advertising columns of this and other papers will show the enviable position of the city in this regard at present.

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In Front—As a city, always renowned for its culture and its wealth, Boston has been hospitable to philately. It has inscribed famous names of collectors and of writers on philatelic subjects on the pages of the history of our pursuit. Celebrities by the score have enriched philately by their example and by their works. Today, Boston is triumphantly to the fore. Its society is almost ideal; its collectors are amazing in number, their holdings are proportionately valuable and all in all, Boston fills the requirements of leadership in a philatelic sense.

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Early Stamp Speculation—In his book on United States stamps, John N. Luff lists both the 10 and the 12-cent, 1851, used provisionally for five and six cents, respectively, with the San Francisco postmark of 1856. These split stamps were instances of the employment genuinely of emergency stamps caused by conditions wholly unconcerned with philately. In this connection we have uncovered information that is in the nature of commentary reading on the subject of these stamps. In 1855, an officer once attached to the post-office department said: "On the Pacific coast, in California, Oregon and Washington Territories—I speak from direct knowledge obtained in the mail service in that region—a great deal of the letter carrying is done by express companies and runners, and they usually charge from a dime to a dollar a letter. By the operation of this law the express men will not only do a large share of the business, but they will tax the community very heavily for their services. The direct consequence of this law has been that in many parts of California and Oregon and doubtless other regions, speculators have bought up stamps and sell them at a high price, because none can be had of the Postmaster. One man, a passenger, went in the mail steamer with me between Oregon and San Francisco, with the avowed purpose, as he told me, of purchasing several hundred dollars' worth of postage stamps, to carry up into the mines of California and Oregon and sell them to the miners at a large profit. True, Congress inserted a clause in the law making it a felony or a misdemeanor for any one to sell postage stamps at a higher price than the face of them; but who is to carry on a prosecution to punish a man off in the woods of California, and that too because he does the people a service? Besides, they can at once evade the law, and it is done, constantly, by sticking a postage stamp on a common envelope, and then selling the two together, the stamp for three cents and the envelope for two shillings! Stamps are sold every day in this way, in the very building occupied by the Post Office at San Francisco, and the Postmaster has no power to prevent it. If a Postmaster is instructed not to sell more than five dollars' worth of stamps to one individual, and he has two hundred dollars' worth on hand, how long will it take any shrewd speculator to send forty persons to him and buy out all his stock?"

Times Have Changed—It has been shown how much difficulty attended the securing of the needed stamps at times and by inference it follows that the resorting to cutting as a method for the multiplying of certain stamps was a logical proceeding. It must be remembered that the prepayment of postage was compulsory dating from 1855 and stamps were a necessity to forward letters. This is the law that the writer attacks as unjustifiable and a hardship. He points out its fallibility with arguments that while sound at the time have been disproved by time's lapse as in all fairness to the postal authorities it must be said that stamp famines have been few and far between; in this regard the record of the post-office folks has been an admirable one. "On our far western frontier; in the wilds of Texas, the mountains of California, the woods of Oregon, and the plains of Utah and New Mexico, there are hundreds if not thousands of Post Offices where it will be an actual impossibility to keep a constant supply of stamps. It will take from two to four months to send to Washington and get a return, and so long as there are no stamps to be had, the mails must stop. One half—yes all—of the offices throughout the United States are liable to get out of stamps and then the mails are blocked, letters cannot be sent, and the public are at the mercy of speculators and express companies. At small offices the Postmasters only give bonds in small sums; the Department cannot and will not trust them to a large amount, their offices pay them but little, and they must be continually getting out of stamps. With a capital of a hundred millions invested in stamps, no department could keep 24,000 offices constantly supplied, and if it were attempted, there would be numerous defalcations."

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Good Enough—The Meriden Brittania Company in its advertising, wishes to make the date, 1847, distinctive, with the idea of impressing the trade-mark "1847 Rogers Bros." on the minds of readers. It was in 1847 that Rogers Brothers began electroplating silverware. In a page advertisement before us, there is displayed in a lower corner: "In 1847 U. S. postage stamps were first used."

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Over a Half Century Ago—In the first few issues of our stamps the engravers' imprint attracted much attention from the press for so unimportant a detail. The imprimatur was condemned as an advertising dodge and ridiculed as a needless prerogative. About this time, the New York *Quarterly Review* said: "Perhaps, if Dr. ———, or a celebrated showman, had been applied to they would have given the government a fair sum for two or three lines around the edge of the sheet, and very likely an additional sum for an increase in the size of the stamp itself, that it might carry on the face of it a patent medicine label, or a 'woolly horse' testimonial!"

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Absorbed—Announcements of changes and removals in the commercial circles of philately have been noticeable in the philatelic press latterly. Activity in this regard is a favorable condition as the changes are for the better, of course, in the estimation of those making them. The stock of the Western Stamp Company, Chicago, has been acquired by E. C. Dodd, LaGrange, Illinois, whose stamp holdings are now such as to make him a decided factor in the business.

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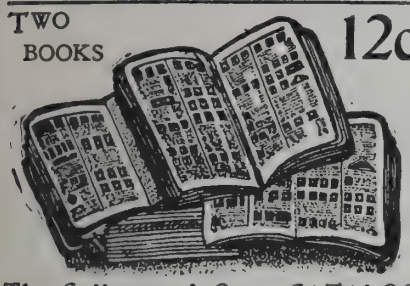

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In 1889 he entered Harvard University, taking his degree in 1892, when he entered the Law School, graduating in 1895. He was admitted to the Massachusetts bar in January 1896. Engaged at this time to a larger degree than ever in the stamp business, his interest grew to such an extent that ultimately it claimed his entire attention. In 1896 he opened an office at 23 Court St., giving special attention to the auction business. In 1900 he removed to his present office, 7 Water St.

Mr. Drew was the first to hold an auction sale in Boston. At that time everyone ridiculed the idea of a successful auction sale in this city and failure was predicted by nearly all who heard of his intention to make the attempt. March 28, 1895, the first great Boston auction was held at Elks' Hall, with a large attendance and mail bids numerous and generous.

Since that time 214 sales have been held and nearly half a million dollars has been realized, the Loomis sale netting $15,000.

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Catalogs for sales 215 and 216 to be held in May have been recently sent out.

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C. F. ROTHFUCHS.

In an interview granted the managing editor we learn that in October, 1859, at a "German and English" private school in Boston, the swapping of stamps amongst his schoolmates interested Mr.

Rothfuchs so much that he began to collect them. In 1863 at the age of twelve years he issued his first price list, pasted his lists on fences around public schools, and put stamps on sale in different stores. From 1866 to 1881 however he took but little interest in stamps. He thus tells us how he renewed his interest:

"In 1882 I again started to deal in stamps, and in 1885 when I moved to Washington, D. C., I began to deal in stamps as a livelihood. In 1882 and ever since, I priced any stamps according to their condition." Knowing that this "condition pricing" was one of Mr. Rothfuchs' trade specialties we sought to draw him out with this result:

"By my way of pricing, a beginner can buy as cheaply and receive as fine copies as the advanced collector. And the collector whose order I receive by mail gets as fine copies at as low price as the one who selects stamps from my books, because all stamps are priced according to their condition.

"Being the first and oldest stamp dealer in the United States who prices stamps in different grades, I know the demand for each grade as well as anybody. This year, up to the present time, April, 1910, I have sold many U. S. stamps of different grades"

Newfoundland

		Catalogue Price
1887	3c brown	$0.08
1890	3c State	.06
1890	3c lilac	.05
1898	2c Cabot	.08
1899	2c Queen Victoria	.03
1899	2c King Edward	.03
1899	3c Queen Alexandria	.03
1899	5c Prince of Wales	.08
1908	2c Map	.03

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Mr. Rothfuchs *sells* his price list. Regarding this he said:

"It may seem strange to many that I do not send my lists free. Lists and stamps of value are seldom given away. Many of those who have received my list say: 'It is worth the price asked whether one buys stamps or not.'

"My 'Price List of United States Adhesive Postage Stamps', 24 pages and cover, issued February, 1910, prices stamps from 1 cent to $1,000.00 each. Some stamps have sixteen prices, eight grades unused and eight grades used, including stamps in very fine condition as well as defective copies.

"Some of the many stamps which I offer in nine to sixteen grades are: U. S. 1860, 30c, 1861, 90c, 1867, 24c, 1888, 90c purple, 1894, $2.00, Executive 6c, 10c, Justice 30c, 90c, Interior 90c, Navy 7c, 90c, State 24c, 30c. Each listed grade is in stock at the time of going to press. In this as well as other respects my list has no equal.

"The 15 cents, the price of my list, can be deducted with the first order to the value of $1.15, thus buyers receive the list free."

Mr. Rothfuchs has a strict rule of "cash with order." How does it work? Let Mr. Rothfuchs tell us in his own words:

"To those collectors and dealers who have not favored me with an order because they did not wish to comply with my terms ("cash with order") I wish to say: For the past twenty-eight years I have taken my own medicine by sending thousands of dollars to collectors, to dealers and to postmasters for ordered stamps before seeing the stamps.

"Some of my best and most profitable purchases were made possible by sending cash with order. One of the finest lots I ever bought I received because my order was the only one of six that was accompanied with cash for the entire lot. The other five orders came from reliable dealers who could and would have paid promptly."

During the many years of active business career Mr. Rothfuchs has sold many stamps at what would today seem ridiculous prices. It will be interesting to note a few comparisons:

"The following is a list of some of the many stamps which I offered for sale and of which I have sold some of each variety at stated 'Sold For' prices. I give Scott Co.'s 1910 Standard Catalogue Numbers and prices to show their present catalogue value.

Cat. Nos.	UNITED STATES.	Catalogue Price.	Sold For
25	1847, 5c red brown, used,	$1.00	$0.07
33	1851, 3c red (*), unused,	1.50	.10
40	1857, 1c blue (*), Type I,	20.00	.05
41	1857, 1c blue (*), Type II,	10.00	.05
45	1857, 5c brick red (*),	100.00	10.00
74	1866, 3c scarlet,	40.00	5.00
545	Navy 2c green (*),	65.00	5.00
Executive 1c to 10c (*), set of 5,		47.00	3.00
Justice 1c to 90c (*), set of 10,		95.00	3.75
State 1c to $20.00 (*), set of 15,		317.00	45.00
1703	1861, 1c cut square (*),	25.00	.15
1715	1874, 2c cut square,	125.00	10.00
	FOREIGN STAMPS.		
3	Brazil 1843, 90r,	12.00	1.75
12	" 1844, 300r,	30.00	5.50
17	British Honduras 1884, 1sh,	14.00	.20
3	Gibraltar 1886, 2d (*),	3.25	.05
7	" 1sh (*),	15.00	.50
49	Hawaii 1883, $1.00,	10.00	.35
10	Nevis 1867, 4d orange,	6.50	.15
3	Newfoundland 3d (*),	2.00	.15
80	Porto Rico 1890, 8m (*),	8.00	.05
18	St. Christopher 4d on 6d (*),	9.00	.20
53	Wurtemberg 1873, 70kr,	16.00	1.25

"The block of four U. S. 1857, 5c brick red (*) that I sold in 1892 for $80.00 has been resold by a dealer who does not require 'Cash with order,' for $570.00.

"Thanks to those who did not comply with my terms! Had I filled their orders, all of above varieties would have been sold at their old prices long ago. I have some of nearly all varieties left, but none at their old prices!"

Mr. Rothfuchs is a great believer in the WEEKLY as an advertising medium as witness his regular use of our columns.

Special Announcement

A Superb Lot of Old Germans and States, Unused, will be found in our 216th sale on May 12th. This is a lot that has not been equalled anywhere this season, and is not likely to be.

A Superb Line of U. S. India Proofs and Essays is to be found in the same sale, including a complete sheet of the

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1906 1c green and black, unused pair, one has Z missing, Scott's Nos. 32 and 32c, priced $2.03 ..... $0.75
Roumania 1906 Jubilee, complete set of 11 used stamps beauties), Scott's No. 196-206, priced $3.50 ..... 1.50
Guatemala 1902, complete set of 10 stamps used, Scott's Nos. 114-123 ..... .35
Nyassa 1901, camels and giraffes, complete set of 13 used stamps (lowest prices as far as advertised .25) ..... .23
Honduras 1898, 5c lilac (error) instead of blue, unused ..... .10
Block of four, unused ..... .25
Austria 1906, 12 heller **violet**, used ..... .05
" " 12 " " unused ..... .15
Nicaragua 1909, complete set, 1c-2 pesos, postally used ..... .50
Paraguay, 1, 2, 5, 10, 20 surch. 1908, used .... .10

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OUR BOOK REVIEW.

—*The Fiscal Stamps of the U. S.*, by L. W. Crouch. It was a happy thought of the Junior Philatelic Society to reprint from the *Stamp Lover* this booklet which appeared a short time ago as an article in this popular English monthly, and to present the same to every United States member of the society. The booklet is beautifully illustrated and will appeal to every lover of U. S. stamps. As a frontispiece we notice a fine imperforate pair of the $200 first issue. The book is edited by Mr. Melville but no stated price is given. For information write the publisher, H. F. Johnson, 44 Fleet St., London, England.

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I buy Precancels. [tf*
CHESTER MYERS, 300 So. Third St., St. Louis.

Collection of Hawaii for sale: The cheaper stamps and envelopes, nearly complete, and some of the expensive ones. Don't write unless you have two or three hundred dollars in the bank. C. F. RICHARDS, 557 West 148th St., New York.*

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A collection of ten thousand different postage stamps of the nineteenth century has been delivered to me to sell. I have tried to sell it intact but the owner refuses to take the price offered and he now wishes it divided up among collectors. I am authorized to sell at prices ranging from one third for the best specimens down to as low as one tenth of catalogue value for those that do not come up to the standard of perfection. I therefore solicit want lists from collectors of responsibility and will send stamps wanted for their approval.

To collectors of imperforate United States I offer the one cent 1902; two cent 1903; two cent Lincoln, Yukon, Hudson, and the 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c and 5c present issue in pairs, the set for 75c; blocks of four, $1.50. H. A. DIAMANT, 208 N. Main, St. Louis, Mo. *

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UNITED STATES.—Fred Doughty was the first to show us the new postal card, though they are now on sale at the Boston Postoffice. The card is light blue, with the stamp and inscription in dark blue. The stamp is an upright oval, with a three-quarters view of McKinley facing to the left. The inscriptions, which are all in colorless letters on a colored ground, read "U. S. Postal Card" above the portrait, and "One Cent" below, with large figures of value at each side. The oval is outlined by slender laurel wreaths, broken at the bottom by a curved tablet with "McKinley" in small letters. Outside the stamp the only inscription on the card is the legend, "This side of card is for address only", printed in double-lined letters arranged on a tablet outlined by double-lined rule. This tablet is arranged to the left and on level with the bottom of the stamp, thus dividing the card horizontally into two nearly equal parts.

Post Card.

1c dark blue on pale blue.

Rudolph Janicke has shown us a curiosity in the shape of one of the Jefferson cards of 1894, which has a partial double impression. Evidently the sheet slipped in printing, and the press still running, the right hand part of the inscription laps back upon the first part about ⅜ of an inch, the break coming just after the "E" of "Cent" in the top line. The word "America" shows the defect the plainest, appearing something like "Africa" in the completed card.

Cecil W. King reports finding on letters mailed in Chicago the current 2c stamp imperforate on three sides, with two large slot machine perforations on the fourth, this being on the left side of the stamp. These slot perforations are exactly in the centre of the margin.

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a. Block of four Hudson-Fulton imperforates, with a colored ring covering the top of the "6" in "1609". This occurs on the upper left stamp, just under the Bureau imprint.

b. The current 13c stamp, with colored line running diagonally from near centre of the top of the outside frame line to the right and intersecting the "G" of "Postage".

c. Similar line on 3c current stamp, but near extreme upper left corner and intersecting the top of the "U".

d. Current 4c stamp, with oval broken back of the head, similar to the 2c with oval broken in front, noted some time since, copies of which Mr. Barnholt also sends us.

e. The 8c stamp of 1902 with Martha Washington minus part of the nose, an irregular white spot appearing instead.

f. A block of eight of the same stamp, arranged two horizontally by four vertically, the lower four being much higher in shade than the upper four.

AZORES.—It was recently announced that the stamps for the Portuguese Colonies, with portrait of the new King would not be ready until next year, but this is not true as far as the Azores are concerned, as the full set of stamps is already at hand. Specimens have been shown us by Q. A. Castro, and the full set by the New England Stamp Co. The design is quite different from the mother country, though the portrait is the same, and in the same sized circle. The portrait is placed near the top of the stamp, with the figures of value in the upper corners, with "Reis" arranged in the spaces above the circles. "Portugal" is placed at the left reading down, and "Correios" at the right reading up, while "Azores" runs across the bottom in a broad band. All inscriptions are in colorless letters on colored ground. Below the portrait is a frigate bird, with wings outspread across the stamp, a sun with rays filling the balance of the space. The colors are practically the same as the

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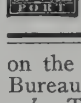

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e. Envelopes.—Nothing has been decided as yet as to the values and colors of stamped envelopes, there being a large stock on hand of the 1906 issue, surcharged "1910".

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Meetings first (informal) and third (regular) Tuesdays, Room 322, Tremont Bdg., 7.30 P. M.

Boston, Mass., April 20, 1910.

The 224th (regular) meeting of the society was held at the Club Room this evening. President Wylie called to order at 7.40 o'clock and 42 members and friends were present.

The minutes of the March meeting were read and approved and those of the Governing Board meeting of March 17 were read.

Mr. E. M. Carpenter, who was one of our delegates to the 20th anniversary celebration of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club, delivered a neatly framed copy of their banquet menu, presented by the club which showed a fine plate of rarities from the Worthington collection, representing a value of $12-15,000. The gift was accepted with a vote of thanks.

The following was read:

Library Report for April, 1910.

By Donation:—Gold Coast, Poole, W. E. P. Handbook No. 4, from D. Field, Esq.; 12 copies unpriced Auction catalogs from C. A. Howes; 60 volumes from M. H. Lombard, none of which duplicate anything already in the Library; Scott Stamp & Coin Co.'s 167th and 168th Sales, and Morgenthau's 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30th Sales from New England Stamp Co.; 6 priced and 130 unpriced Auction catalogs from A. W. Batchelder; and the current numbers of the following magazines, generously contributed by the publishers:—Gibbons' Weekly, Mekeel's Weekly, Stamp Journal, Berliner Briefmarken-Zeitung, Collectors' Journal, Carter's Messenger, Postage Stamp, Redfield's Weekly, Attleboro Philatelist and the Philatelic Journal of Great Britain.

CHAS. K. B. NEVIN,
C. A. HOWES,
Library Com.

A note from Mr. Lombard, accompanying his donation, was read and a unanimous vote of thanks and appreciation was passed to the donor.

The following applications were posted:

Alpheus B. Slater.

Thomas W. Doster.

The Secretary read a letter from Mr. John B. Howe, executor of the estate of the late John F. Seybold, in which he announced that the library which had been offered to our society was ready for delivery. The Library Committee offered the following resolutions which were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, in May of 1909, the Boston Philatelic Society was informed through its Secretary of the expressed intention of the late John F. Seybold of Syracuse, N. Y., to bequeath to it the extensive philatelic library which he had formed, and did at that time pass suitable expression of its thanks and appreciation of the generous offer; and

Whereas, the hand of Divine Providence has since stilled the activities of our friend and well-wisher before he had legally formulated these intentions; and

Whereas, it has pleased Mr. Jacob Seybold, his Father and sole heir, to remember his son's desire and to comply with his intentions by again offering this Library to our Society through his representative, Mr. John B. Howe; therefore be it

Resolved, that the Boston Philatelic Society hereby most gratefully accepts the gift in memory of Mr. John F. Seybold, and with due appreciation and acknowledgment to Mr. Jacob Seybold; and be it

Resolved, that the Boston Philatelic Society most cheerfully accepts the conditions which require that the Library be kept intact and assigned a special place in our Club Room, and that it shall be known as the "John F. Seybold Library" and be suitably marked by a prominent inscription and by a suitable book-plate. And be it further

Resolved that these resolutions be spread upon the records and that a copy be transmitted to Mr. Jacob Seybold.

Mr. Bartels read a letter urging that an interest be taken in the coming philatelic exhibition at Berne and that some exhibits be sent.

The Secretary proposed that Mr. Batchelder be added to the Library Committee in view of the increased labors that are coming to us. President Wylie pointed out that the Statutes stood in the way of this increase. Mr. Nevin therefore offered the following amendment to be acted upon at the next meeting:

Amend Art. III, Sec. 3, to read:—There shall also be elected at the annual meeting a Library Committee to consist of three members.

The following were elected to membership:

No. 523. Joseph M. Livermore.

No. 524. Frank M. Mason.

No. 525. Theodore W. Barry.

The resignation of Mr. Vincent H. La Forme was withdrawn.

The Secretary called attention to the necessity of all members who use the Club Room locking the door when leaving, as it is not a spring lock.

Mr. Batchelder proposed a Committee of Seven, including the Chair, to report in eight weeks upon a plan for celebrating the 20th anniversary of the society in February, 1911.

The question of holding auctions at the regular meetings was brought up and it was voted not to do so, except by vote of the society.

The auction sale advertised for the evening was held during an intermission and realized $47.10.

Mr. Bartels gave a very entertaining and instructive talk on counterfeits, proofs and essays, illustrating the counterfeits from his own collection and exhibiting four volumes of the fine collection of United States essays belonging to Mr. E. H. Mason. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Bartels for his talk, and to Mr. Mason for the loan of his collection.

Adjourned at 10.15 p. m.

C. A. Howes, Sec.

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New York, April 21, 1910.

Meeting was called to order at 8.30 P. M. with a very small attendance. The entire evening was devoted to the exchange of stamps and an informal sociable. All members are earnestly requested to attend the next meeting, May 5th, and get in touch with our new President and his plans of progressive operations to further the interests of our Society. How about that new member?

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Another contributing factor has been the practice of sending a representative on extensive trips with a selection from the company's stock that would prove its resources. This was not only a good advertisement, but brought the firm into closer touch with many of its patrons in the chief centers, and gave advanced collectors an opportunity to personally inspect numbers of the rarities that are continually passing through the firm's hands. Almost every year a representative has made the trip to Europe in order to keep in touch with the trade "across the pond," and at least eight trips have been made in this country to the Pacific coast, while trips of lesser length are of frequent occurrence.

With such a business and reputation to care for, the supply has naturally to be constantly thought of. Without taking into account the smaller stocks and collections, and the importations of new issues which are continually coming to hand, the company is always in the market for large transactions, such as the purchase of great collections; and in this line it has exceeded the combined acquisitions of probably all the other stamp concerns in the United States. The first great purchase was in 1896, when the famous Nash collection was bought for a price that had not been exceeded up to that time. Three years later another famous collection, that of Wm. Thorne of New York, took $45,000 spot cash from the firm's coffers, while the well-known collection of Mr. Olney of Providence drew some $30,000 more not long after. Two other large collections followed in the next few years, that of Mr. Hawkins of New York and Mr. E. B. Todd of Calais, Me., each reaching well into the thousands of dollars.

But in 1904 all records were beaten by the acquisition of the wonderful collection made by F. W. Ayer of Bangor, Maine. For some ten years or more Mr. Ayer had had the pick of everything good that was in sight, and the result was one of the finest and most valuable collections in existence. It was a great feather in the New England's cap, and though the purchase price was confidential it is stated to have closely approached the six figure class.

In 1905—mark the date, for the impression has been abroad that it was recently sold to other parties—the famous specialized collection of France made by M. H. Lombard of Boston was purchased and broken up. This was *par excellence the* collection of France having won gold medals in Paris and London, etc.

About the same time the New England acquired the famous specialized Hawaiian collection of Mr. F. M. Crehore. For each of these was probably paid more than had ever been paid for a specialized collection of a single country in America.

During the past year, also, just to show they are still in the market, the great collection of the late J. W. Paul, Jr., of Philadelphia, has been purchased for $57,000 spot cash, in competition with European and American dealers, and is now in process of sale.

But the above record is not the only line of activity in which the company is engaged. While at first their trade was local office business, extended by their travelling representative, and the mail business largely confined to filling want lists or answers to advertisements, they found the demand from the great number of medium-class collectors warranted the establishment of an approval and mail order department, which was instituted in 1900. This feature of the business has steadily grown and occupies a large part of the present quarters of the concern.

The company also enters the auction field at times, and has conducted a number of high-class sales, such being the only ones with which it cares to bother. The lots in such sales are always well advertised and shown in the principal cities of the country, and the results have been very satisfactory.

Another venture that is about to be made is in the publishing line. While the company carries a stock of all the principal publications in the line of albums, catalogues, handbooks, etc., it has not entered this field itself to any extent. For some time past, however, the services of the well-known philatelic author, Mr. C. A. Howes, have been engaged on a "History of Canadian Stamps," which is about ready for the press and will appear in due course. The firm intend this to be the "last word on Canada" and will spare no expense to make the volume all that it should be, and a notable addition to philatelic literature.

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But we must say a few words about those whose activities make the concern what it is, and whose countenances will be recognized by very many who see this page. Mr. A. W. Batchelder, in the trade for more than 30 years and since the beginning the business manager and therefore moving spirit of the firm, hardly needs an introduction, so well known is he to the fraternity. Always active, alert, and with an eye out for opportunity, he readily exemplifies the firm's motto "Progress," and through his travels as its representative has made the names "New England" and "Batchelder" synonymous, and made his impress in our pursuit widely felt.

Mr. E. M. Carpenter has for fifteen years been the treasurer, and the guardian of the home office while the manager was away, though he has served as the firm's representative in travel both here and abroad as well. Mr. J. H. Lyons, the veteran in business, who looks back over thirty years' active service in philately's interest, has been for ten years in charge of the counter trade. Mr. W. S. Barker, who has recently entered the employment of the firm, is a Boston collector of long standing and is now manager of the approval and mail order department.

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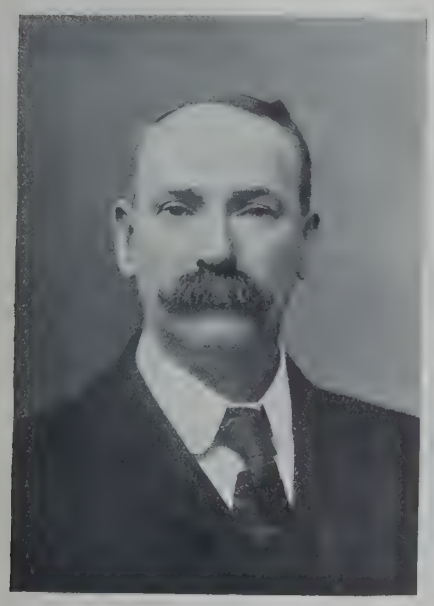

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HAWAII.

THE 1889 ISSUE OF THE 5c AND 13c 1853 TYPE.

By HENRY J. CROCKER, F. R. P. S.

These stamps were printed from newly engraved plates made for the Hawaiian Postoffice in 1889 by order of Postmaster General Hill. The original plates were engraved in Boston by order of Postmaster H. M. Whitney in 1853, and the stamps he ordered came on thick white paper.

Postmaster Jackson ordered some of the 5 cent stamps in 1857, and Postmaster Clark ordered a lot in 1860.

Postmaster Kalakaua ordered both the 5c and 13c in 1864 and they were issued on ordinary white wove paper. This last lot were in 1900 classed as Reissues, but their being a regular issue is now proved beyond a doubt, and all catalogues will so recognize them from now on.

The original plates were shipped from Boston with this last order, arriving some time in 1865, and were defaced by Postmaster Brickwood, who had succeeded Kalakaua between the dates the stamps were ordered and the time of their arrival at Honolulu.

The full history of the above stamps are set forth in "Hawaiian Numerals," also in *Gibbons Weekly* of January 22nd, 1910, and MEKEEL'S WEEKLY of April 10th, 1910.

The original plates were practically destroyed in 1865 with the statement issued that there was no further use for them, and yet in 1889, twenty-five years later, one could go to the Hawaiian Postoffice purchase the 5c blue and the 13c red put them on letters and mail them to the United States, Europe and throughout the Islands. I make the claim, therefore, that these hitherto much neglected stamps are a regular issue of Hawaii. They are extremely rare in used condition; quite rare in unused condition, and better known with the word "reprint" across the face of the stamps. Only 10,000 of each value were printed, and I place them in my specialized collection as being a regular issue, for careful investigation proves this order by the Postmaster General, their receipt, payment and issuance by the postoffice, and their acceptance by local and foreign postoffices on letters as prepayment of postage.

I will proceed to give their history as I find it, and would be pleased to hear from anyone who possesses any data bearing on the subject.

The original plates as I stated were defaced by Brickwood in 1865, but having been left in the postoffice were discovered in 1887 by Mr. Wunderberg, a clerk, who reported the find. The Postmaster General sent the two plates to the American Bank Note Co. to be restored, as there had arisen a large demand for specimens of the old issues. Failing in their efforts to restore the plates the American Bank Company engraved an entirely new plate for each stamp, and on January 14th 1889, received an order from Postmaster General Hill to print 10,000 of each 5c and 13c. The stamps were not delivered until September 16th, 1889, but they remained in use in the postoffice at Honolulu from that date until August 19th, 1892, when the remaining lot, together with the reissued 2c of 1862 type which had appeared about the same time, were ordered surcharged with the word "Reprint" and thereafter they were sold through the postoffice at their face value until exhausted. To substantiate the above we have the testimony of Walter N. Giffard in his Descriptive Catalogue of the postage stamps of Hawaii,—The records of the Amercian Bank Note Company, and the following statement made recently by W. D. Westervelt, a prominent resident of Honolulu and President of the Historical Society. Mr. Westervelt says:

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1907	1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 12½, 20, 50c & 1 sol	.25
1909	1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 12, 20, 50c & 1 sol	.25
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1903	**Salvador** 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 12 & 13c	.15
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postoffice at the face value and were accepted by the postoffice for postage without question.

I had a letter from Postmaster C. H. Dickey of Hoiku Baldwin Plantation who noticed I was using the 2c (1861 type which reappeared about the same time as the 5c and 13c) as a common stamp calling my attention to their rarity. I wrote him in reply that the postoffice at Honolulu had just received a consignment and that they were selling them at face value.

There was a good demand for these stamps and the impression was at the time that they were from the original plate. I think it was the discovery by Giffard that they were from a new plate that caused Postmaster Hill to have them marked 'Reprint' after they had been in regular circulation for two years."

We know the stamps are not reprints as they were printed from original plates, although they were the result of an attempt to copy the early type.

They are not in the same class as the U. S. 1847 type where the plates were remade to furnish stamps to make up the full set for the Centennial, for these latter were not used for postage.

They are much rarer than most collectors estimate. Very few collectors have them, especially without the word "reprint," and as they fulfilled every point required of a regular issued stamp, I fail to see why they should not be catalogued as such. They always have been confused with the 1869 issue which led to their neglect by collectors.

Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

ITEMS FROM THE ENGLISH PRESS.

By CHAS. E. JENNEY.

In the March *Stamp Lover* appears a continued article on the stamps of Sarawak, in which is given, along with other matters of interest, a list of the post-offices of Sarawak, 24 in number.

In the same magazine the Cayman Islands are being treated in an exhaustive manner and this issue is plentifully illustrated with the king's head provisionals.

Egotism or self-advertising is a common human failing. It crops up in the "fine arts" as well as elsewhere. Witness the "Connell" stamp, and the designer's initials on the withdrawn Lincoln cent. The foregoing is suggested by a discovery, as we learn from Alfred Smith & Son's Monthly Circular, of a part of a sheet of the French 10 centimes "Semeuse" type, showing a watermark of the name of the firm supplying the administration with paper for its stamps.

In the *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly* we are informed of what is said to be probably the oldest stamp in existence,—an embossed deed stamp dated July 5, 1694,—issued just after the passing of the Stamp Act in the reign of William and Mary and located at present in the collection of Mr. W. Denison Roebuck. Another record breaker mentioned in the same collection is a revenue of the face value of 11,250 pounds or in round American figures, $56,000.

The above magazine has an article by Hubert Armstrong on the stamps of France, in which, speaking of the Bordeaux issue he says, "These stamps were issued imperforate, but quite a few were perforated unofficially before use, and many more have been perforated for collectors since!" Which so well described the condition of affairs in the Confederate States of America stamps that I am impelled to remark on it.

When a new issue has good cause for existence on account of some necessity of change of design, it is well to preserve it in philatelic annals, for it means history. In the *S. C. F.* article on France mentioned above appears the best *raison d'etre* I have heard for the change from the Liberty head design to that of Peace and Commerce. He says: "In 1875 the Republic had pretty well settled down, but there was still a large Royalist section of the public whom it was thought well to conciliate. Consequently it was universally considered that the head of Liberty under whatever alias she might lurk upon the stamps, was of too controversial a character, and steps were taken to substitute a design which should have no political significance." The long used "Peace and Commerce" type was the result of the new selection.

A carefully prepared list of the postmark numbers of the towns and cities of Great Britain is being continued in *Gibbons Stamp Weekly.* It makes one wish that a similar methodical system had been employed in this country, each town or city being assigned a number and using it in its obliterating stamp as well as the postmark.

Mr. Charles J. Phillips of Stanley Gibbons, Limited, who has been making a South American trip, tells in the *Weekly* of April 2nd of his Brazilian researches and announces the purchase of a quarter of a million Brazilian stamps. From his study of local collections, he finds it necessary to rewrite and revise Brazilian prices for the next edition of their catalogue.

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Sent on approval to persons known to me. See opposite page. [36

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Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

A. P. S. HISTORICAL NOTES.

By H. A. DAVIS, Pres. Col. Branch No. 22.

Year 1908, 23rd Annual Convention.

On February 1st the secretary dropped 81 members for non-payment of dues. Secretary Davis mailed the Year Book in February. President Luff announced the call for the 23rd annual convention, May 16th, to be held in Columbus, Ohio, Tuesday, July 21st.

In May the following nominations were made by the Columbus Collectors' Club and endorsed by the Colorado, Scranton and New England branches: President, John N. Luff, N. Y.; Bd. V. Pres., E. de Z. Kelley, C. A. Howes, L. L. Green, all of Mass.; Sec., H. S. Adair, Ohio; Int. Sec., L. H. Kjellstedt, Pa.; Treasurer, H. G. Smith, Minn.; Directors, H. J. Crocker, Calif., F. R. Cornwall, Mo.

This ticket was elected and is the same as the previous year with the exception of office of Secretary, H. A. Davis who declined a renomination.

The 23rd annual convention was called to order by Secretary H. A. Davis in the absence of President J. N. Luff in the convention Hall of the Southern Hotel, Columbus, O., Tuesday, July 21st.

Henry N. Mudge was unanimously chosen as Chairman of the convention. There were present 88 members, 2 applicants and 32 visitors. 682 members were represented by proxy.

The Secretary's report showed a membership of 1514, a gain of 339 members for the fiscal year. There were 81 dropped for non-payment of dues, 34 resignations, 10 deceased and 3 expelled. 448 new stockholders were added and 19 reinstated.

The Treasurer's report showed receipts to be $1,953.53 and disbursements $1,910.07. Balance General Fund $43.46; Stock Account $3,135.00; Insurance Fund $1,007.90; Exchange Account $43.50.

There was entered in the Sales Department, stamps to the value of $62,779.71 from which sales were made to the amount of $6,920.83.

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Atlantic City was selected as the next convention seat by a vote of 420 against 272 for Rockford, 22 for Baltimore, 2 for Chattanooga, one each for Niagara Falls, Detroit and Put-in-Bay.

MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS was voted official journal.

It was voted to increase the Sales Superintendent's commission from 10% to 12½%. Insurance to be ½ of 1% instead of 1%.

The following was adopted: To publish popular hand books on philatelic subjects. $200.00 appropriated for Secretary's clerical expenses. The Year Book to be issued in two parts, part 1 in November, part 2 in January (this legislation was ignored). Numerical list of members to be published in Year Book. Funds of the association to be reinvested at an increased per cent. Branch societies to be chartered by Board of Directors instead of annual convention (a repeal of the enactment the previous year). Branch societies must be stockholders. $150.00 appropriated for use of the Recruiting Committee, Association name changed from American Philatelic Association to American Philatelic Society, by a vote of 527 to 177.

The work of the National Stamp Committee to be taken over by the association, the Secretary to do the work for both. $50.00 appropriated for use of the National Stamp Committee. The appointment of a committee having in charge the matter of presenting bill before Congress to permit the illustrations of U. S. postal issues for philatelic purposes.

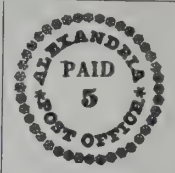
The convention attendants were entertained by the Columbus Collectors' Club. A Reception and Smoker Monday evening at the Southern. Seeing Columbus by trolley Tuesday afternoon. Tuesday evening a trip to Indianola Park.

Wednesday afternoon an automobile trip for the ladies. There were trips to the Ohio Penitentiary, Hoster's Brewery and many other places of interest.

An auction sale was held Wednesday evening under the auspices of the local club, conducted by the E. S. Martin Co.

At the end of the year the membership numbered 1620.

(*To be continued.*)



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CURRENT 2c ENVELOPE DIES.

By PESSIMIST.

(This study of the current 2c envelope will be read with interest by specialists in U. S. envelopes, of which there are many. While the writer disguises himself under the *nom de plume* of "Pessimist", we shall be pleased to forward any letters containing stamped, addressed envelope for reply. We hope to publish further articles from "Pessimist".—ED.)

There's a lot of 'em and probably more coming. The writer is not an envelope specialist nor an "authority," but a beginner with only a small collection, believing that one way to get information from those who have it is to hand out some bait for them to criticize. The following descriptions are made up from good distinct specimens in my collection and not from ordinary average specimens which by wear of die or matrix or poor printing might be any kinds of "print varieties" which are not die varieties and will be referred to in a subsequent letter.

The classification of the several dies is that adopted for my own collection in the absence of full data and is not intended for adoption by collectors generally as that should be attended to by some one who is an authority, preferably a specialist collector who is not a dealer.

I have twelve dies, with two leading types which are the well known dies A and C. In the second class with C is die B with its swarm of freak print varieties. In class of die A are a lot of working dies grouped under A, D and E and many of which have probably been recut and including, with die A2, those which I have called Ab, Ac, Ad,—A3,—D, D2, D3 and E. The first three I think must be recuttings of die A, the fourth a recutting of die A2, and D2 and D3 recuttings of die D. Die A is described for comparison with others and the leading points only given, with important points for each in italics.

Die A. NI diverge a little, E of United has *top arm longest,* 2d T of States is low, W is a little too low, O is oval, C is thick at top, EN are low, right 2 leans back, outside colorless oval line ¾ mm. wide, raised flat place at top of head, queue knot even with top of coat collar, end of queue forms *dull angle with bottom of bust,* coat collar widens rapidly at back, waistcoat line *curves up at back,* two curved horizontal lines divide the front wave of hair at temple into three nearly equal parts and vertical line separating the two waves is irregular and not prominent. (I expect to give typical diagrams of all these heads later.)

Die Ab has NI about parallel, arms of E in United are even, right 2 thinner than in A, outside colorless oval line is ½ mm. wide, waves are deeper in back line of queue, bottom of bust *curves down* by ¼ *circle* to tip of queue, hair generally as in A but is coarser. Earliest postmark I have with this die is Dec. 22, '09. (This die is also found with the bar connecting WO near the top like die A3.)

Die Ac has 2d S of States too far from E, outside colorless oval line ⅓ mm. at bottom to ¾ mm. at top. Forehead not so full, bottom line of bust straight at front and *at rear curves down* to tip of queue on *long radius* centered at front foot of N in Cents. Earliest postmark, 12-27-'09.

Die Ad has N and I diverging sharply, first S of States is large with long ends, first T narrow and too low. *A is very low,* of Cents the N is too high and T is narrow and too high, right 2 more erect but *base is shorter,* left 2 top flatter and heavier, second wave of hair back of temple is smaller and farther from back of head, waistcoat line *curves down* at rear. Earliest postmark I have is April 24, '10.

Die A2 has E in United with *arms even,* point of queue longer below bust, first wave of hair shorter horizontally with *deep straight vertical groove* parting it from second wave which is larger than in A.

Die A3 has NI parallel, T of United has shorter arms, waistcoat line straight. Earliest postmark Jan. 8, '10. This die also appears in later printings with a bar connecting WO near the top. Earliest postmark of this variety, Mar. 1st, '10.

Die D as E of United with *top arm short, D larger,* first S of States wide with heavy top, first T narrow, too high and *too near S, second T too near A,* T of Two narrow and leans to left, *C is too near O,* and has ends cut off radially, N of Cents large and too high, T narrow and close to N, chin is small, projecting and hangs down, nose projects less but is longer, line of back of head strikes middle of top of T, hair similar to A but cross lines of small wave more vertical. Earliest postmark I have of this is April 13, '10.

Die D2 has S of States wide with ends cut off almost square, T's of States *well placed,* C is too close to E, N is crowded between E and T, forehead is straight and quite high, back line of head strikes left top corner of T, bottom of bust makes right angle with front of queue end and front of bust is close to frame line. Earliest postmark I have is Feb. 24, '10.

Die D3 has NI parallel, wide A with short legs, E of Cents even and not crowded and T well placed, chest line steep, *forehead* straight and *very high,* appearing to bulge at top, waves at back of queue very deep, front of bust angular. Earliest postmark I have is Mar. 5, '10.

Die E has I too near T, NI diverge, back of *D not rounded enough, S* of States *wide with long pointed ends,* T of Two has right arm short, *W too high* and too near T, *C is taller,* throat makes angle (no curve) with chest, *forehead low retreating,* top of head low, back similar to A, except on level with mouth queue bends back causing head to appear "bull necked", bottom front of bust is sharp angle. Earliest postmark I have is Feb. 16, '10.

Die C is too common and well known to describe beyond the round O, thin lettering and hollow at back of neck, T too far from W and top of E in Cents is square.

Die B is almost the same as C with all letters and figures heavier like A but with T nearer W, and top of E in Cents a little shorter and opened up a little, the O is not quite so round. Have not found any red brown die C, but die B in both colors, so suppose C came out long after B, but I have a series of envelopes grading from a very fine lined C to a very much worn and spread B and various experts have very gravely separated them and positively declared which were C's but no two have done the trick alike.

Good red brown prints from die B seem to be scarce but there are plenty of worn die print varieties. One remarkably variable thing is the outside colorless line of border. Of most all of the dies I have prints clear and sharp from new dies showing great variation of this line but otherwise absolutely alike. I hope some collector of the city where the envelopes are made will emulate Morris of Washington by digging up full information and getting it on record as soon as possible and in as great detail as possible for the benefit of the specialists, leaving the rest of us to forget what we don't care about.

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1869, 1c to 90c (with one 15c),	" 10	"	6.75
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EDITORIAL.

Fair Play—For several months unwarranted criticism has been leveled at the WEEKLY in certain quarters and while the innuendoes and false statements are made for political effect in the present campaign in the American Philatelic Society, doubtlessly, we should not have noticed them had our own prospects only been involved. As it is, the interests in mind are endeavoring to injure the candidacy of Charles R. Morris for secretary of the American Philatelic Society by denouncing him as a "hireling" of the WEEKLY. What these detractors broached first as a hazard, they brazenly assumed was the truth because no denial immediately was made; and thus, they loaned themselves to the circulation of a falsehood. All that Mr. Morris has ever done from a news viewpoint has been done gratuitously and with no expectation or desire for remuneration, we sincerely believe. We consider that this statement is necessary in justice to Mr. Morris and we hope that his critics will be generous enough to treat him fairly. The WEEKLY can bear with equanimity any undeserved criticism that may be launched against it but it does not want to be the means of causing Mr. Morris to be misrepresented.

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Early in the Field—The collector who is interested in United States local stamps finds that many of the earlier private carriers called their enterprises, expresses. In the report of the postmaster-general, 1843, he said that "numerous private posts under the name of expresses, had sprung within a few years into existence extending themselves over the mail-routes between the cities and towns, and transporting letters and other mailable matter for pay to a great extent." Suits were instituted against carrying concerns in New York, Massachusetts and Maryland but it appears from the postmaster-general's report of 1844 that the government was unable to suppress the private expresses, which were still maintained "upon the leading post-routes." Many years elapsed before Congress passed laws that effectually stopped the posts; and the reason for this dilatoriness was not difficult to surmise; the posts had an accredited place in the commercial world and they enjoyed the patronage of powerful interests as contributing to a real convenience.

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To the Fore—It is evident that there is a "recrudescence of interest" in United States envelopes. We shall not undertake to determine to what the increased appreciation of these envelopes may be attributed. It may be that they are enjoying their periodical revival of popularity that seems to come in cycles or it may be that a conviction is growing that the envelope varieties present a most fascinating field. A peculiarity about the present condition as it appears to some observers is that the dies themselves are so potent an attraction that all controversy between the adherents of the "entire" and "cut square" schools is allayed and the common interest has effected a truce between the two divisions. We believe that the Kohl plates of U. S. envelope dies and Toppan's little book on U. S. varieties have had their stimulating influence. Let the "cut square" man buy only cut squares which ususally are a bit cheaper than entire envelopes; but should he secure entire envelopes at times, he should convince himself before he uses the shears that he is not destroying the value of a scarce size. The advantages that a knowledge of die differences affords need not be enlarged upon and it is essential that the collector become conversant with them early in his studies.

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Up They Go—As showing the keen competition for envelopes and the importance of knowing dies and sizes, we cite prices realized at the recent auction sale of the Philadelphia Stamp Company; the first 535 lots were all entire envelopes priced according to Scott and Bartels, respectively. A total of nearly $2000 was reached for the envelopes and perhaps it was the most successful sale of its kind ever held:

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How to Do It—The following letter was received from Alvah G. Clark, Trenton, New Jersey, soon after the appearance of our words appreciative of the labors of the Educational Committee of the American Philatelic Society: "Reading of the work of the Educational Committee of the A. P. S. leads me to write you of what is being done along this line in this city. About two years ago, Mr. E. A. Andrews, Sales Manager of the Trenton Philatelic Society and myself promised some of the boy collectors that we would organize a society for them; this was done and now the boys' society numbers perhaps twenty-five members. We devote each Saturday afternoon during the winter months to this society and have found it a regular meeting-place. The boys have their own officers, carry on their own business and have their exchange and sales departments, recruiting committee, etc., the same as a society of adults. We instruct them in parliamentary law and give them frequent talks on stamps and stamp collecting. Once a month, they have a contest; some months it may be an exhibition of certain countries or a group of countries. Last month, the competition took the form of a composition and to let you see the thoughts of the boys whose ages average from 12 to 16 years, I am enclosing the best paper of the lot, which was written by Chris H. Bowers, age 15. To show further the industrious natures of these boys, they have started a paper, issued in connection with their society and they do all the writing and illustrating. I send you a copy of Volume I, Number 1 of the *Junior Enterprise*. If some of the members of the American Philatelic Society would make the same sacrifice they could probably find several boys in each of their respective cities who would be only too glad to have this same opportunity to be educated along philatelic lines. The 'grown-ups' would find, as we do, much pleasure in meeting with the boys and looking after them. I might add that the Vice-President of the Trenton Philatelic Society is looking after a society of about fifteen boys in Lawrenceville, N. J. As soon as these boys are twenty-one years of age, they are eligible to membership in the Trenton Philatelic Society; and no doubt, they will make excellent members. Would not this plan work for the American Philatelic Society?"

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Good Work—All credit to Mr. Clark and his worthy confreres who work so wisely and willingly for the conservation of philately. While some of us halt to compare theories as to the best ways and means for making philately attractive for the young, these gentlemen take a practical short-cut and arrive at real results. The composition of Master Bowers is on "Why I Collect Postage Stamps" and is a most pleasant and plausible recital of their merits. The club paper, the *Junior Enterprise* is a type-written sheet producted by manifold process and its contents are of the kind that appeals to youth and that is not saying that they would not be appreciated by the elders. Editorially is the remark: "A conservative estimate of the boys collecting stamps in Trenton is 50. This does not include the many collectors who make it a practice of stealing approval sheets." Here is a sample note: "Oakley has an idea that he can read Chinese characters on cancelled stamps. Some one suggested that he might get a job as clerk reading laundry checks in Son Ling's emporium."

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By CHAS R. MORRIS.

The philatelic press has recently chronicled the appearance of the blue "Officially Sealed" labels in imperforate condition and I have had two inquiries from different parts of the country in regard to them, one correspondent submitting two blocks of same for inspection with the request that I would ascertain if they were genuine.

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Without a doubt it is these sample sheets that were sent to New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, St. Louis and other cities that have fallen into the hands of collectors and are being sold at ridiculous prices.

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NEW STAMPS ON THE TAPIS.

By H. CORMACK.

Chili: This country appears to be looming up as an important factor in surcharge lines. The recent appearance of the 1905, 30c green, surcharged "5 CENTS IMPUESTA", is to be followed shortly, it is said, by the appearance of the new Independence set, another one added to the Jubilee ranks. It is proposed to use the old 20c green plate and strike the new issue from that, making stamps the same throughout the series but surcharging them "1810—1910" and with the respective values of 1, 2, 5, 10 and 20 pesos. The old plate, which had been in possession of an outsider, has been tendered to the government for the purpose of creating the new issue. This will be a right royal set and will cost to buy in Chili some $25 gold, if not more. The 12c lake on black, 1905, and the 1 peso bronze green, same issue, have come to the surface again, and some of the 12c have already found their way to this country and it may be supposed that the peso will follow. The prices, however, are very high; a cutting from a Santiago paper states that the peso has been sold as high as $3 paper per copy.

Guatemala: The new regular issue of this country is reported as to have been issued on the 24th of April. Details have not been given.

Uruguay: A new issue of this country was promised for the 18th of April, but it was not stated whether jubilee or regular.

Paraguay: Recent advices state that the 1910 issue is on the eve of being put into circulation.

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The highest price of the evening's sale was $206, on order for two copies of the 2-pence deep blue Mauritius of the October, 1859, issue, known as the Fillet Head. They are used together on a cover from Mauritius, Nov. 10, 1859, to Marseilles. They are fine early impressions and lightly cancelled "Paid" in oval. Another Mauritius rarity, the 2-pence blue on bluish paper, issue of 1848, was bought on order for $106. It is on a small cover, cancelled "Mauritius, Sept. 19, 1853," and also "Inland." The stamp is in fine condition, with deep rich color, and early impression showing every line clear and distinct. The cover is somewhat marred by Mr. Seybold's name stamp showing through from the back. Other scarce stamps of this country were 2-pence blue on bluish paper, intermediate impression, issue of 1848, on a fine cover, $51 (New England Stamp Co.); 2-pence dull blue on bluish paper, late stage of the intermediate impression, lightly cancelled, on fine cover, $44 (order); 1 penny red on blue paper, worn impression, vertical pair, issue of 1848 on small cover, $43 (order); 2-pence blue, worn impression, issue of 1848, fine pair on cover, $22 (order); two horizontal pairs of 2-pence blue of issue of December, 1859, on cover, to Bordeaux, $53 (order), and two copies, on cover, of 4-pence green of 1854 with overprint "Four Pence," $22 (order).

Of the British Guiana stamps a 1c Magenta, 1852, block of four on cover, cancelled Demerara, Aug. 7, 1855, sold for $150 (John N. Luff); 4c blue, same issue, on cover, addressed to Berbero, $23.50 (Bradford); 1c vermilion, 1853, horizontal strip of four on fine cover, $55 (order); and 1c brown, 1862, horizontal pair on cover, $31 (order). Two copies of the 6p pale blue of the Cape of Good Hope (wood block) 186*d*, brought $23 (Bradford); an 8p deep yellow brown of Ceylon, 1857, used on piece of cover, with two copies of the 2p yellow green, $69 (order); 8p deep brown and 1p blue, same issue, used together on a soiled cover, $61 (New England Stamp Co.).

6p green of Natal, 1857, on cover from Durban, $21 (order); horizontal pair of 1p lake of New South Wales and 1p dark carmine, both of same issue, 1850 (Sydney Views) on covers, respectively $31 (order) and $34.50 (Bartels); 2p blue, Plate 1, same issue, used on cover, $25 (Bartels); 2p deep blue, plate 11, same issue, on cover, $45.50 (order); 2p violet blue, Plate 111, first retouch, $21 (order); 3p yellow green, three copies used with 3p emerald green, on cover, from Sydney to Manila, $36 (order); 3p emerald green on bluish paper and 2p deep blue, used together on cover from Sydney to London, $23 (order) and two horizontal pairs of the 3p emerald green from Sydney to Manila, $32.50 (order); a horizontal strip of three of the 6p brown of New South Wales, 1852, on cover $75 (Bartels).

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By PESSIMIST.

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UNITED STATES.—Dean McClusky reports having found the 2c of 1890 with two distinct vertical lines in the upper part of the left "2". Mr. McClusky also reports finding what appears to be a genuinely horizontal imperforate copy of the current 2c stamp.

G. de Lachasse writes as follows: "Knowing that some collectors are interested in the 'Penalty' envelopes, I would beg leave to bring to their notice that I just came across an 'official business' from the Post Office Department, office of the chief inspector, at Washington, with the new style of penalty (for the Post Office Department) in two lines, as well as the 'card' in the N. E. corner, printed in *blue* instead of black as heretofore. This is the second envelope from that Department I have seen having the notice and card printed in blue. As usual, the envelope is white laid paper, without watermark."

The Economist Stamp Co. reports finding the 2c Columbian stamps with the caps on the "2", the same as appears on the 1890 issue.

Our readers will understand in the note "f" in No. 1009, that the lower half of the block of 8c 1902 stamps should read "in 'lighter' shades", not "higher"

AZORES.—We are also indebted to Hermann Focke for specimens of the new Azores stamps.

BELGIUM.—*L'Annonce Timbrologique* states that the 1fr stamps are now printed in a very distinct shade of orange yellow.

BOSNIA.—Mr. Schachne reports the 5 on 5h card with no oblique line at upper left. Otherwise there is no change from the last.

CHINA.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us a new printing of the 4c stamp, the design being unchanged.

Adhesive.

4c red.

COLOMBIA.—Those who read Mr. Whitehead's note in No. 997, will be interested in the following regarding the same matter, reproduced from *Gibbons' Weekly*:

"A footnote in our publishers' Catalogue describes some of the type differences to be found in this issue, but the list there given is not a complete one of all values. Only one type is given of the ½ centavo, whereas three may be found; whilst there are also three types of the 1 centavo, instead of two only. The first and most common variety of the ½ centavo is that which corresponds to our Type 96, that is to say, having the maker's imprint —'LIT. J. L. ARANGO MEDELLIN COL.'—an appreciable distance from the foot of the design and the value label overlapped by the two little floriate sprays above the letters 'O' of 'MEDIO' and 'N' of 'CENTAVO'; this is Type I. Type II has the value label overlapped as Type I, but the maker's imprint is now close up to the foot of the stamp; this is intermediate between Type I and Type III, which has the maker's imprint close up, but the value label is not now overlapped by the sprays.

"The stamps of Type III are in a rather deeper shade of *yellow* than is general with those of Types I and II, the lines of the background also appear to be closer together.

"The 1 centavo shows the same three type distinctions as the ½ centavo, with the additional variation in Type III that the letters of the value are slightly larger than in the other two types, the "UN," and the 'N,' 'A,' and 'V' of 'CENTAVO' being distinctly wider. The colour of the stamps of Types II and III is brighter than that of Type I.

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Type I.
Left-hand hook turned out (B).
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Type II.
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Type III.
Both hooks turned in (A).
Label *not* overlapped.
Maker's imprint close.

"To this it may be added that in the case of the 5 centavos Type III there is an extra white line forming a cornice above each of the foliate ornaments in the upper corners, and that this peculiarity is to be found in no other type in this set. These stamps are easily distinguished from those of similar design of 1908, which bear the imprint in the case of the 2 centavos 'LIT: NATIONAL,' and of the ½ centavo and 5 centavos 'LIT: NATIONAL—BOGOTA E.F.Y.'"

COSTA RICA.—The C. E. Hussman Stamp Co. has shown us several values of a new series of stamps from this country. The stamps are of small size, and dated 1909, and are in single colors. They appear to be from the American Bank Note Co., and a different design appears on each stamp. They are very handsomely engraved and printed. The legends are "COSTA RICA CORREOS" and "U. P. U. 1909" at the top of the stamp and the value in words and figures below the portrait.

Adhesives.

1c brown; statue of Juan Santa Maria.
2c green; portrait of Juan Mora F.
4c red; Jose M. Canas.
5c orange; Mauro Fernandez.
10c blue; Branlio Carrillo.

FRANCE.—The pneumatic letter card, 30 on 30c purple, is received from Mr. Schachne and is like the single letter card except that it is on pale blue paper.

GOLD COAST.—*Ewen's Weekly* calls attention to two varieties of the ½d green and 1d rose stamps recently issued. The differences are in thick and thin letters of the title "GOLD COAST".

GREAT BRITAIN.—*Ewen's Weekly* reports the 1½d stamp in a new shade of purple.

Adhesive.

1½d dark purple and light green.

INDIA.—It is now denied that the current 3a India stamp has been surcharged "ON H. M. S.", as stated in No. 1001.

ITALY.—*Offices in Tripoli.*—We have received from Mr. Schachne three Italian cards of the divided face variety with a two-line surcharge or overprint in black on the lower part of the stamp, "Tripoli —di Barberia".

Post Cards.

10c carmine on pale buff; '09.
10c on 10c carmine on light green; T.3; '08.
5c green on 10c carmine on gray; T.3; '09.

MEXICO.—A correspondent writes to the *London Philatelist* as follows: "I notice that the word 'OFICIAL' on Mexican stamps now appear in a different form of lettering. I have just received a wrapper containing some official documents, two of the stamps on which are surcharged by hand as usual and the other two have the word 'OFICIAL' apparently printed. The letters are much clearer and broader in proportion to their height, the 'O' being nearly circular. I notice that on one stamp the space between the 'O' and the 'F' is greater than the other. At present I have only seen the new surcharge on the 3c."

NICARAGUA.—Philip Wolf reports having received the 5c and 15c stamps of the 1909 issue, with "C DPTO ZELAYA" surcharge, with the "o" of "DPTO" turned sideways and raised. Mr. Wolf suggests that probably all the other values up to 2 pesos exist with the same peculiarity. The 1c, 2c, 3c and 4c of the above issue are unobtainable at Cabo Gracias.

RUSSIA.—*Offices in China.*—The New England Co. has shown the current 1k, 2k, 4k, 7k, 10k and 70k stamps of Russia surcharged as usual for use in China.

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EUROPEAN COUNTRIES NOT POSSESSING POSTAL INSTITUTIONS OF THEIR OWN.

From a report lately issued by the German General Post Office we learn that there are several independent countries in Europe which have not their own Postal Institutions.

In the Principality Liechtenstein, situated on the Upper Rhine between the Austrian Province Vorarlberg and Switzerland, and comprising an area of about 60 square miles with a population of about 10,000 inhabitants, the Post Office Service is in the hands of the Austrian Government which uses their stamps. There exist five Post Offices, viz.:—Vaduz (the capital), Balzers, Neudeln, Schaan and Triesen.

In the Principality Monaco, the smallest independent state in the world, about three miles long and one-and-a-half miles broad, with about 6,000 inhabitants, the French Government undertakes the Postal Service, but uses special (Monaco) stamps. There exist two Post Offices, viz.:—Monaco and Monte Carlo, which are under the supervision of the district Post Office in Nice. With the exception of the Savings Bank Service the usual business is transacted, but there does not exist any local Telephone Service in the Principality.

The Republic San Marino, comprising about 33 square miles with about 11,000 inhabitants, has placed itself under the protection of Italy by a treaty concluded in 1872, and is therefore served by the Italian Post office under the supervision of the Post Office in Forli, but issues its own stamps. There are three Post Offices in the country, where every branch of postal business, with the exception of that of the Savings Bank, is transacted.

The miniature Republic Andorra, in the Pyrenees, with an area of 175 square miles and 6,000 inhabitants is under the joint suzerainty of Spain and France. There does not exist a single Post Office, and letters, etc., are delivered from the nearest Spanish and French Post Offices, and despatched by them. Letters, etc., for Spain are franked with Spanish stamps, and those for France with French stamps, and those for foreign countries with Spanish or French stamps and posted in the respective letter-boxes or handed to the postman on his round.

In the neutral district Neutral-Moresnet, situated between Belgium and Prussia, some merchants tried some time ago to institute a Postal Service, but were soon compelled by the Belgium Government to close their Post Office, and the postal service is carried out by both Belgium and Germany in the same way as in Andorra by Spain and France.

On the Island of Spitzbergen, which does not belong to any country, there exists during the summer months a Norwegian Post Office in Advent Bay.

Liechtenstein, Monaco, San Marino, Andorra, Neutral-Moresnet and Spitzbergen belong to the International Postal Union.—*H. P. S. Monthly Report.*

THE "SPECIMEN" STAMPS.

From Berliner Briefm. Zeitung.

By L. Harald Kjellstedt.

(*Concluded.*)

Paraguay.—Both series of the official stamps of 1885 have been overprinted "Specimen" in red, and black, horizontally and slanting.

Philippines.—The issue of 1892-93 with violet overprint "Muestra". The 1c and 40c of 1897 with small overprint of same color, and the issue of 1898 with similar overprint as that of 1892.

Porto Rico.—Of the issue of 1897, the 3c was provided with a small and the 80c with a larger overprint "Muestra". The 1 and 2 pesos of 1898 have "Muestra" in large type.

Russia.—The "war stamps" of 1905 were overprinted in large Russian characters, with a word corresponding to Specimen, in such a way that one letter of the word comes on each stamp.

Switzerland.—The Postage Due stamps of 1878, 1882, 1883 and 1884 were partly hand stamped "Specimen" in black, horizontally and with the word of such length that it run across two stamps. After 1882 these stamps were also overprinted with a stamp made from type. This overprint is small, 12 mm. long, black, and sometimes red, and runs horizontally. These specimens were probably not only intended for the Berne exchange but also for presentation purposes.

Somali Coast (French).—It is doubtful if the entire issue of 1894 is involved as the author has only seen the 4 and 50c hand stamped "Specimen" in black.

South African Republic (Transvaal).—Single copies have been seen with the word "Monstre" but also with "Specimen" as, for instance, the 5 pound of 1892. After 1902 the overprinting has been done similar to that on the stamps of other British Colonies.

United States.—The Postage Due stamps of 1891 were overprinted "Specimen" in small type. The overprint is red and 11 mm. long. It is a question if the issue of 1879 was similarly treated.

Great Britain.—Probably all issues from that of 1867-69 have been overprinted "Specimen" in black, sometimes horizontally and sometimes slanting with the word 15 mm. long. This also refers to the official stamps. The 1½p of 1870, rose on bluish paper, which never was issued, is also found overprinted "Specimen". On the Kings head stamps the overprint is sharper and more regular in form.

British Colonies.—From around 1879 we find as a standard type a black, sharp and uniform overprint "Specimen" 15 mm. long, placed horizontally, with the exception of the higher values in which it not seldom is found in a vertical position. Still there are a number of exceptions showing variations in the type used, the letters placed in the form of a semi-circle instead of a straight line, etc.

British Bechuanaland.—The issue of 1887 is found with black, diagonal, large "Specimen" 22 mm. long. The issue of 1904 has a semi-circular, black overprint. The latter style has also been observed on the issues of British Levant, Morocco and Kings head issues.

British Central Africa.—The high values of the issue of 1895 occur with large, horizontal overprint 25 mm. long.

British Guiana.—The issue of 1882 has the word "Specimen" perforated with small holes. The issue of 1867 has been found similarly perforated but which probably was done at a later date.

British East Africa.—The 5 and 7½ annas of the provisional issue of 1894 are found overprinted with hand stamp, in blue, either horizontally or slanting. The word is 15½ mm. long.

British South Africa (Rhodesia).—The issues 1898 to 1908 have the word "Specimen" perforated in the stamps.

Falkland Islands.—The issue of 1891-96 has a small, black, horizontal overprint 12 mm. long.

Labuan.—Issue of 1893 with black, diagonal overprint and period after "Specimen". The word measures 15 mm. The issue of 1894 and those following have a black, horizontal overprint measuring sometimes 17 and sometimes 20 mm. The provisional issue of 1897 has the same overprint but placed vertically. The issue of 1902-03 (crown design) is found with a black, horizontal "Specimen" 20 mm. long. On the 1 and 2c values the overprint is red.

Lagos.—The issue of 1885 has the word "Specimen" in diagonal hand writing.

British Levant.—See British Bechuanaland.

Matla.—The issue of 1902 with small, horizontal overprint 15 mm. long.

British Morocco.—See British Bechuanaland.

Niger Coast.—The issue of 1893 and those following have a black, horizontal overprint 23 mm. long.

North Borneo.—The issue of 1897, and probably those following, has a black, horizontal overprint similar to that on Labuan of 1894.

St. Vincent.—1883 and following issues (perhaps to 1893) have a heavy, black, horizontal "Specimen" 18 mm. long.

Soudan.—The issues from 1898, inclusive of the "Army Service" are found with a vertical, black overprint 17 mm. long.

Besides these regular Specimen overprints there are some which can be considered as local overprints made in order to satisfy later requirements. Among such can be mentioned:

Canada.—Kings head issue of 1903-08 with black, curved or slanting overprint made with hand stamp and 15 mm. long.

Ceylon.—Issue 1888-89 with red or black diagonal overprint 20 mm. long.

Natal.—Issues of 1887, and 1895 with blue, slanting hand stamp impression 10 mm. long.

Orange River Colony.—The issue of 1900 is found with black, irregular, slanting overprint, made with hand stamp and 12 mm. long.

Seychelles Islands.—The issue of 1890 has a large, black diagonal overprint in two different grades of heaviness. The word measures 20 mm.

While the overprints "Muestra," "Monstre," "Saggio," and the word in Russian characters, are to be considered the same as "Specimen" stamps, those that have the overprint "Cancelled" are only in exceptional cases to be ranged with the Specimens, and those overprinted "Ausser Kurs" have nothing whatever in common with the Specimen stamps. In the latter cases we have remainders which, before their sale to stamp dealers, had to be marked so as to prevent their use for postal purposes. As samples of this kind of stamps we can mention the "Cancelled" overprints on the Mauritius issue 1863-1877, and the "Ausser Kurs" on the Swiss issue of 1862. Of similar nature is the overprint "Snutillizado" on Costa Rican stamps, the punched or line crossed stamps of Spain, and the "grille" cancelled remainders of St. Helena. This list can further be extended with all the stamps "cancelled to order" and delivered and sold in sets.

Although the list of "Specimen" stamps given in this article probably is the most complete compiled up to the present time, the serious collector can easily see how much still remains to be found in this field of philately. It offers splendid changes for independent research, and, what is best of all, the material for a collection is still in the market at prices which undoubtedly will look like remarkable bargains in years to come. Before the last Postal Congress at Rome, the number of Specimen stamps required of each value for the international exchange through the Bureau at Berne was 700, but the new regulations adopted at Rome have reduced this number considerably. Thus it will be seen that these Specimen stamps are really rare and a sudden demand is all that is needed to give them their true market value. From a philatelic point of view they are certainly desirable as the earliest impressions from new plates, and having the advantage of card or India proofs in showing gum and perforations, paper qualities and watermarks.

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*53		2d brown and violet	.18	.12
*54		2½d blue and black	.25	.20
*55		3d orange and green	.15	.15
*56		6d violet and black	.25	.22
*57		1sh orange and green	.35	.32
*58		2sh black and green	.70	.65
*62	1905	1d red and black	.06	.05
*63		2d brown and violet	.08	.07
*64		2½d blue and black	.18	.15
*65	1907	½d green	..	.02
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PROVIDENCE, R. I., April 20.

The 207th regular monthly meeting of the Society was held at 63 Washington St., at 8.20 P. M., Pres. W. A. Mowry in the chair; present 10 members.

Records of previous meeting read and approved. Application of A. W. Claflin referred to the executive committee. The executive committee reported favorably on the applications of Horace G. Belcher and Edward C. Stiniss and they were duly elected. W. C. Polk on vote was reinstated to membership.

It was voted that the Society purchase a photograph of the 25th Ann. Group, properly labelled and framed, to adorn the Society rooms.

A. B. Slater, Jr., read an interesting paper on the die variation of the current 2c envelope, in which all took a keen interest.

Mr. Mason was appointed a committee to procure a rubber stamp analogous to the Society Seal for stamping all publications received by the Librarian.

Voted that the A. P. S. of the R. I. P. Society indorse Chas. R. Morris of Washington, D. C., as Secretary of the A. P. S. Adjourned 9.49 o'clock.

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The 52nd regular meeting was held April 13. Eighteen members and two visitors were present. A committee was appointed to present some plan to facilitate exchange of stamps. A resolution of respect and sympathy relative to T. F. Schekels, who died April 13, was adopted. Wm. Feldhouse applied for membership. The Chairman of the Entertainment Committee was directed to arrange for an illustrated lecture at the Public Library or Chamber of Commerce room. A special effort will be made to have the June meeting one of great interest. It is expected to have some good talks and refreshments will be served.

F. R. Cornwall's prize collection of Cape of Good Hope was exhibited and the members enjoyed the special treat of viewing same. Mr. Cornwall was tendered a vote of thanks for his courtesy.

At the next meeting, May 11, a large auction sale will be held, the members contributing the stamps and the proceeds to be for the Library fund.

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ALEX P. BROWN, Sec.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—A. Herbst has sent us two labels issued in the interests of the Actors' Fund Fair, to be held in New York May 9. Mr. Herbst humorously writes: "One of these stamps shows a distinct variety, 'Orphejm' in place of 'Orpheum'. As this error occurs but once in each sheet of one hundred you will readily understand that the variety is sure to become very scarce. One of the local dealers who saw the 'error' told me that it ought to be worth some $300 'providing the catalogs list it'."

—Clippings received from Frank J. Guscetti, Dr. H. S. Johnson, Dr. W. L. Babcock, John F. Hinson and Clinton G. G. Brown.

—During the past week two of the Burroughs articles have been received, one from the Savannah (Ga.) *Morning News*, sent in by Mr. Hinson and another from a Detroit paper, submitted by Dr. Babcock. The article referred to is the African story written by the authority of the Educational Committee and dealing with stamps picturing "big game".

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(The following is a sample of the matter being supplied to the daily press by W. Dwight Burroughs under the auspices of the A. P. S. educational committee. We venture to say that this will be one of the most widely reprinted articles that has ever been prepared for this purpose.—ED.)

Just a little while ago Santos Zelaya, president of the Republic of Nicaragua, stole out of his capital—Managua—and disappeared.

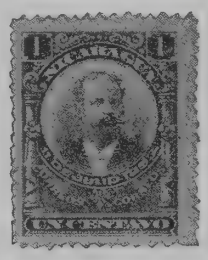
Revolutionary forces, whose operations had been accompanied with repeated success, were pressing him hard; Isidor Rayner, indignant at the execution of two American boys, was clamoring for his life on the floor of the United States Senate; Attorney General Knox was believed to be laying plans for bringing the Nicaraguan to account for his misdeeds. Altogether, Zelaya appeared to be in a rather bad plight.

And evidently no one knew this better than Santos Zelaya. He fled and for days there was much conjecture as to where he had betaken himself. Then came the announcement of his discovery in Mexico.

And now it is stated that his identity was discovered before the fugitive president was ready to throw off his disguise, and this identification was by an official who recognized him through a picture he had seen of Zelaya on a Nicaraguan postage stamp.

Strange Freak of Fate.

Through a strange fate the stamp upon which Zelaya's picture was printed was one that he issued in 1903 to celebrate the tenth anniversary of his successful revolt against President Sacaza. The issuance of this stamp was due to Zelaya's vanity, as well as to his desire to impress upon his people his military and political prowess. He desired to call the republic's attention to his achievements of the past and impress on it his ability to withstand his enemies, for the tyrant had begun to hear the rumble of an approaching storm of revolt.



Zelaya, like many another of his ilk, laid great stress upon his political righteousness and sense of fairness. One of the official stamps of his republic, issued in 1900, bore a pretty picture of a pretty woman representing Justice, but a careful study of the figure shows that it was not a blind Justice and symbolical of Zelaya; it evidently had its eyes open at all times for its own interests.

The first stamps issued by Nicaragua as early as 1862 bore a picture of the arms of the nation, which are a reproduction of a group of mountains, on one of the peaks of which is perched a Liberty cap.

Another mountain stamp of the land shows where the feet of the giant Mometombe meets the sea.

In 1892, when various New World republics were postally and otherwise commemorating the discovery of America 400 years before, Nicaragua fell in line and got out a stamp picturing Columbus getting his first view of that Country's shores from the deck of his ship. It was in 1502 that the explorer sailed along the Mosquito Coast of Nicaragua and gazed for the first time on the fair land that was destined to become the abiding place of one of the most turbulent of the little republics of Central America.

To Advertise Canal.

Few more interesting postage stamps exist, than that issued by Zelaya in 1896 to advertise the proposed isthmian canal across Nicaragua. It had been one of the most precious dreams of the people of that country that the United States should decide upon the Nicaraguan route for the canal. And Zelaya for personal no less than patriotic reasons was foremost in its advocacy.

Already steps had been taken to build via the Nicaraguan route and work had actually been done. As early as 1849 the scheme had found favor and Nicaraguans generally came to believe that theirs was the only feasible and logical location for the great waterway from Atlantic to Pacific.

Various concessions were granted at different times and although the prospects for a Nicaraguan canal often looked bright the project was doomed to fail of realization.

There were many advocates of the Nicaraguan route in the United States and commissions from this government that visited the locations suggested for the site of the giant waterway made reports that in many respects favored the land of Zelaya.

Interesting to Historians.

In Congress the whole matter was fought out and the Nicaraguan government had emissaries here to help boost the cause which meant so much to them and to their country. But the long and the short of it all was that the Panama route was eventually decided upon and everybody knows how valiantly work is going on now to complete the canal.

Nicaragua's canal stamp was issued at a time when it was thought it would be a factor in spreading broadcast the special advantages a route through that country would afford the canal builders. The stamp presented a map of Nicaragua and showed by clearly defined lines how the canal could be cut from shore to shore. It availed nothing.

Zelaya was much disappointed by the failure of this government to select the Nicaraguan route, as was indeed all his people. The canal would have meant much to the land, and the loss of the coveted possibilities did not leave a sweet taste in the Nicaraguans' mouths for Uncle Sam.

But it is fair to observe that Nicaragua's stamps are as interesting historians as the stamps of other countries. There seems to be a great store of learning and useful information laid up in all of them.

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ITEMS FROM THE ENGLISH PRESS.

By CHARLES E. JENNEY.

From *Stanley Gibbons Weekly* we learn that "A practical gentleman has arisen in Belgium, M. Ason, deputy for Tournai, who is agitating for the suppression of the useless and annoying letter label which disfigures the stamps of this country (*ne plus livrer le dimanche*). M. Ason most sensibly remarks that those persons who do not wish their correspondence to be delivered on the first day of the week can best insure the fulfilment of their desire by the expedient of not posting it on Saturday night. We raise our hats to this supremely common-sense suggestion, and join with M. Ason in begging the Belgium postal department to save their paper, ink and gum, and to abolish this puerile tab."

A very carefully prepared article on the lithographed 4d 1854 Western Australia (Scott's No. 3) by L. L. R. Hausberg appears in the *Philatelic Record* for March. This is a stamp of special interest owing to its variety with inverted swan, one of the rarest stamps. An entire sheet, from the collection of the Earl of Crawford, enables him to minutely describe the varieties. The sheet in question, however, is from an impression taken after the inverted variety had been corrected in the plate, as well as one or two other defective varieties known to exist. From measurements taken he infers there were four inverts to the full sheet originally, being the first stamp of the 8th row in each pane of 60. He also describes and illustrates a variety in which the letters "Australia" are of only half the normal height. This does not appear on the entire sheet either and he infers it was corrected on the stone. The specimen

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in his own collection is the only one he knows of. There is a plate illustrating the 24 varieties as described by him, which is so well executed that we are able to trace his descriptions perfectly.

In *Stanley Gibbons Weekly* for April 16th the initial article is Charles J. Phillips on the first type of Chile. He elaborates Scott's Nos. 1 to 8 into 39 different stamps, according to the different printings. These naturally do not show sufficient variation to admit identification by any printed description and it is doubtful if collectors will be willing to follow the new S. G. catalogue in this instance, interesting as are the stamps of Chile. Scott's highest price is $10 for the No. 1, while the S. G. revised prices run to $30, $50 and in one case to $75. Verily the highest grade of specialism is an expensive thing to cultivate.

Among the new things dug up by Mr. Phillips in his South American tour was a Brazilian discovery,—a large stamp containing a whole portrait gallery, prepared to be used in 1909 at the opening of the Pan-American Medical College in Rio Janeiro. Supplies were printed and sent out to the different towns and then at the last moment it was found to be contrary to some Postal Union regulation and telegrams were sent to all the places to return the stamps. Of course some got out and S. G. have decided to catalogue it. It looks like a purely philatelic venture. Wonder who has the remainders or the recalled supply?

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Marked catalogue of the prices realized on the entire envelope section of our 24th auction sale should be in the hands of all envelope collectors. This catalogue is now ready and forms a valuable reference book, as many of the envelopes are unpriced in either Scott's or Bartels' catalogues. Prices are also given upon several new envelopes unpriced and unlisted in any of the catalogues. Altogether 535 envelope lots were sold in the first session, bringing about $2,000. Price 50c. The second session consisted of 575 lots, mostly 20th Century stamps, which will be furnished also at 50c or the two parts for $1.00. [11

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A PHILATELIC TROPHY—OR PHILATELIC ATROPHY?

By "BON-BON," Nottingham, Eng.

Nearly each and every well mellowed and, incidentally, mildly mildewed of us motes in the stampic firmament must have had occasion at one time or other in the course of our quests and travails to moan wholesouledly, and, on *very special* provocation, to e'en wail distraughtly, at the doltpate depravity of some mediæval minotaur of the sixties or seventies, who having gathered to himself choice copies galore of the "now nearly unattainables" has, in some ill-starred humour, pranked and patterned them, with full garnish of varnish, on platter *a la plaque* or what-not *a la Watteau* (What ho!).

From the young and virile present-day artist in these lines there is not, of course, more than the remotest possibility of repetition in such holocaustic *chef d'œuvres; his* "plate" numbers usually range merely among the "commoneys" in Europeans, "Uncle Sams" and Colonials, with haply an odd Hawaii *sandwiched* in between, or a brief *inner circle* of spry new Central Americans. And quite "class" enough these for the all-to-close attentions of gum brush behind plus gelatine and varnish atop. The old-time "stamp-snake", with its dingy-grown convolutions of "penny reds" and the like—the *imperforates* all *perforated unofficially*—is, to my mind, a less fearsome object than is one of these stamp plaques when, provided the varnish be not extra pale, a yearly cycle or two of Father Time's caresses shall have been lavished upon its devoted and ever embrowning head—or, rather, face. The one-time "thing of beauty" doth then become "*alloy* for ever" till, some bright spring-cleaning day the ash-bin grey shall woo and win it as its prey.

It is four or five years since first I was mysteriously whispered by a "phellowphil" how that, stowed somewhere away in the furthermost fastness of his business premises, one of our citizens had a tremendous "trophy" of old foreign stamps—"as big as a wall side" its somewhat ambiguously defined dimensions. Of it my informant had long been very anxious to obtain a view; but, although he had gone to the extent of placing a small business order or two with its owner, he had signally failed in attaining his end, the invariable excuse being that the large accumulation of other properties in front thereof quite barred its accessibility. Would I try what I could make out, and, if possible, get analytical sight of it, as he understood that the tableau had been most elaborately and expensively prepared upwards of thirty years previously and included stamps of high catalogue value.

Well, I duly started in on the job; but to this day have not been equal to getting all the way, although able to chronicle a certain amount of success. Its constructor and possessor is a somewhat fossilized genius of the composing stick, with one of the quaintest of old-world little printeries imaginable, stacked from floor to ceiling with back numbers in office furniture, worm-eaten wood block illustrations, and kindred "obsoletia". A shellbacky bachelor, with tastes and views pretty well as antique as his heirlooms, I probably first began to really enthuse him over the subject of Baxter-prints, which are having such a vogue with English connoisseurs nowadays. Yes, he had a lot of such oil-colour gems of the by-gone printer's art, somewhere among his piles of dust-covered boxes and parcels, if he could only "set about and hunt them out". That trophy of foreign stamps occupied his energies for several years as a young man, he subsequently informed me; might let me have a peep if I happened to call some day when it was "get-at-able". He had built his hopes on having it exhibited at the re-opening of Nottingham Castle after its restoration as our City Art Museum. The then Prince and Princess of Wales (our present King and Queen) performed that function in July, 1878; and but for the Mayor's sudden death a few weeks only prior to the royal inauguration, our friend might not have had cause to complain of the "callous, cold neglect" which set in when a fresh chieftain arose who "knew not Joseph" and took little or no interest in his pet prodigy. The non-acceptance of it for display at the Museum's opening spelt confirmed sourness of spirit in this matter to its projector, and it has been permanently retired by him these thirty odd years.

One morning last spring, happening in at the chock-piled little printing office, I gathered with surprised satisfaction that just a corner of the tableau had been temporarily exposed and was at the service of my optics. Up some creaking wooden stairs I followed my leader, and saw revealed one of the angles (about 30 inches square) of a large framed and glazed structure which, some six feet high by nine feet wide, stood on the floor along one side of the store-room. Bright-coloured rows of such stamps as the 12 cents purple U. S. 1872 bordered crescents and lozenges of green full-face Queenslands and the like; but, alas! the copies, though wonderfully undiscoloured, were coated down, even under their glass protection, with a special paper varnish, "clear as crystal",—in this particular conjunction, however, not quite so "fair to behold". And this was scarcely the worst of it, for I noticed that all the rich purple "Clays", etc., had been painfully converted into "pseudo-imperfs" by having their deckled edges cropped off close, so that they could butt up together in closest of amity. British Guiana and other rarities—some cataloguing as high as $250—were, I was told, in evidence on other of the trophy's compartments; and, of course, I haven't quite foregone the hope of gazing on these, in their "embalmed" state, anon.

Returning together to the press room below, quoth I:—"Great pity you didn't think to dispense with the varnish and rest content with the glass covering; there would then have been a fortune for you in that frame; and—oh, scissors! that shearing, what another sad mistake!"

"Mistake!" cooed my very original friend fiercely and with fine scorn, "do you think I was going to spoil my work of art for the sake of those *blankety-blank* perforations? Not *extra blank* likely!"

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A WORD OF APPRECIATION.

It is very kind of our readers to so freely express their enjoyment of the WEEKLY as it reaches them from week to week, and we pen this word of acknowledgement having these kindly greetings in mind. There are editors who fail to appreciate the fact that we are seeking to build up a great *philatelic newspaper* and not a *literary magazine*. We are succeeding in our sphere and we wish the magazines success in theirs. With the hearty words of commendation that each day brings us and a circulation fast approaching the 7000 mark it would seem as though our paper is filling a real need.

THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

George, the Fifth—We shall not take this opportunity to dilate upon the philatelic effect of Edward's death but it is to be seen instantly that a decided influence will follow. It is to be expected that in due course of time the current issues of Great Britain and colonies will be changed according to custom and that King George's portrait will appear on the manifold issues. When this result is gained, philatelists will be pleased to pay homage to the likeness of one who, himself, is an ardent philatelist, one whose interest is not wholly dilettante but, on the contrary, an actual and working one. From one of the biographical sketches of King George the Fifth in the newspapers, we take the following: "The new king is one of the leading stamp collectors of the world. His collection, begun many years ago, he has industriously maintained, giving it his daily personal attention. Its value is now more than $500,000." We need not add that H. R. H., The Prince of Wales (now king), is president of the Royal Philatelic Society, London.

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Another—As nicely confirmatory of the existence of the Thomasville, Georgia, five-cent black on white, provisional envelope, specimens of which have just been chronicled the Scott Stamp & Coin Company's *Circular*, we submit the following statements from Thomas Semmes, Jr., which will be followed with particular interest by those who appreciate Confederate locals: "I read with much interest the clipping enclosed taken from your issue of the 23rd of April and headed, New Confederate Envelopes. Nearly five years ago, I wrote to the Scott Stamp & Coin Company offering them these envelopes together with the 10 cent variety which I enclose for your inspection and which seems to have been entirely overlooked. I was told that there was little demand for envelopes such as these, although it was realized that they were very scarce, and the set of three which included the 10 cent not mentioned in the reprinted article was returned to me at my request. The singular part of my story is that all my envelopes are addressed to Milledgeville, Georgia, and if Mr. Roessler will give further details, no doubt you will find that all of the envelopes bear the address of Mrs. Wm. H. Hall of that place. It is very probable that they were part of the very lot, I, myself offered the Scott Stamp & Coin Company four years ago, or so. A few months before I wrote to this firm, Mrs. Hall, to whom the letters belonged originally, sent me a package of them asking me to sell them for her. After having written a number of the leading stamp dealers to get some idea as to their value, I notified Mrs. Hall that there seemed to be no demand for these envelopes at the time and that I would buy part of them and advised her to hold the rest, as they certainly were valuable to those who collected Confederate covers. So far as I know this is the only lot of Thomasville locals in existence; I believe that there were eight in all, the specimen enclosed being the only 10 cent in the lot."

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Thomasville Ten—On the 10 cent envelope submitted for inspection by Mr. Semmes, the postmark reads: Thomasville, Ga., Aug. 3, and the "Paid 10" impression follows the type style of the 5 cent that has been recorded. There is no room to doubt that the 10 cent envelope is on the same sound basis as the five cent. The paper of the envelope in question is a heavy manila, showing many wisps of straw in its texture. The reference to Mr. Roessler by our correspondent was due to the fact that we quote him in connection with the reprinted article as saying that he has seen three Thomasville locals addressed to Milledgeville. Generally speaking, the provisional Confederate envelope with Paid impression and postmark is not always accepted unreservedly unless what may be termed adventitious aids to its establishing a character are forthcoming; these may be in the form of items from newspapers published at the time; the testimony of the issuing postmaster or persons of standing that the stamps or envelopes were used; or assurances that the items were sold over the counter, so to say, in such quantities as the buyer elected, for use at his convenience or option. The local that successfully passes this scrutiny is entitled to its place in the catalogue.

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Imperforate Fours—A correspondent says that he may be able to give the WEEKLY the plain, unvarnished tale of the four cent 1902 imperforate. In this connection, H. W. Boers, Detroit, in speaking of the four-cent Grant, 1902, with Schermack perforations says: "There is a person here who had twenty of the stamps from a roll but used all of them up except a strip of five now in his possession. An offer of large amount has been refused for the strip." These four-cent imperforates went to Detroit subsequently to the five-cent, 1902, imperforate, the whole supply of which was restricted and the very largest part of which were sent to Detroit, it appears.

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Coincidental—Alvah G. Clark, Trenton, New Jersey, writes: "I read with interest the editorial, 'Early Stages,' which mentioned these early mail carriers as passing through our city. Further, in this connection, an eye-glass company in this city has been running a series of advertisements, 'History of Trenton in Pictures' and the one enclosed was published in the *Evening Times* of April 18th, two days after your article appeared." The illustration depicts the old-time inn, the stage-coach and horses, etc., with some fidelity to historical tradition, but the picture is cleverly modernized in certain of its aspects. The text is: "In the early days of the last century, stage coaches ran from Trenton to Philadelphia, New Brunswick, Elizabethport and New York. The Indian Queen tavern . . was a popular stopping place for the coaches. It was here, also, the Continental Congress met in 1784, when LaFayette visited Trenton."

LONDON PHILATELIC CONGRESS.

(The following clipping from the *London Daily Mail* was sent us by A. W. Dunning, who has been spending the winter abroad. We expect to have a detailed report of the Congress from Mr. Ward in our next issue.—ED.)

Over 6,000 stamp collectors in all parts of the kingdom are represented by the ninety delegates who have gathered in London for the Philatelic Congress which opened at Caxton Hall April 27.

The Prince of Wales, himself the possessor of a magnificent collection of postal rarities, has given his patronage, and the vice-patrons are the Postmaster-General and his predecessor, Mr. Buxton, and the Earl of Crawford, and Mr. Henniker Heaton.

The congress brings together a remarkable assemblage of famous philatelists. The Earl of Crawford, who opened it, is well known as the owner of one of the finest collections of English stamps in the world. Major E. B. Evans, who will follow him with an address, has made a specialty of the "Mulready Envelope." Mr. W. D. Beckton, another delegate, is an expert on Grecian stamps, while Mr. M. P. Castle, J. P., recently disposed of his collection of Europeans at a record price.

Practical demonstrations of the manufacture of stamps are to be given by Mr. J. Dunbar Heath, of Messrs. Perkins, Bacon, and Co., who will produce a special issue commemorative of the congress with machinery which will be installed in the hall. Copies of this stamp are to be given to those present.

Tomorrow, April 28, the delegates will have an opportunity of inspecting Lord Crawford's collection at his residence in Cavendish square, and on Friday they will visit the British Museum to see the world-famed Tapling collection, which is estimated to be worth about £100,000. Their guide will be Mr. E. D. Bacon, perhaps the greatest authority on stamps in the country.

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THE U. S. 24c CONTINENTAL PRINT.

A letter recently received from Elliott Perry contained a question in regard to the stamp above referred to, which stamp has no doubt been a mystery to many collectors. We quote from his letter the following:

"Have you touched upon the 24c National-Continental U. S. postage in the WEEKLY lately? Scott now prices this stamp at $3.00. It used to be $5 but for several years was not priced at all. In an article by E. B. Power which you published within a year or two he stated that his firm had not had half a dozen real Continentals in as many years. Perhaps he meant unused. According to Luff's book there were several hundred thousand issued, or only a few, or any quantity in between. While there is so much interest in the grand old U. S. wouldn't some real light shed on this interesting stamp be welcomed by many collectors? I think so."

As a specialist in U. S. stamps we asked Mr. Rothfuchs for his opinion, and this is what the veteran dealer writes:

"The 24c stamp under discussion is one of the U. S. stamps which cannot be told with a certainty unless one saw it taken from the Continental Co.'s press. One dealer may call a National Bank Note Co.'s print a Continental and vice versa. Scott's gives its color as deep purple, Gibbons' deep violet and Mr. Power in his book on U. S. stamps calls it bluish purple.

In my list I use the Scott color, deep purple, but when I fill an order I always send the bluish purple or the one that shows the most blue.

In order to prove my statement that the 1873 24c stamp cannot be told to a certainty I should have to exhibit the different papers and colors in which the 24c stamps were printed and compare them with an exhibit of the 12c stamps of the National and Continental Bank Note Co.'s prints."

The WEEKLY will be pleased to hear from anyone who can give definite information in relation to the matter under consideration.

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FOREIGN NOTES AND NEWS.

By L. HARALD KJELLSTEDT.

A Bouquet for Mr. Morris.—American philately has occupied more space in the European press lately than ever was given it before. Extensive reviews of Mr. Crocker's, Mr. Bellows', Mr. Power's and Dr. Chase's works have brought our literary achievements into the foreign limelight. Our late stamp issues with their many varieties have seemed to revive a rather dormant interest in our stamps, and the products of American philatelic writers are more frequently found in the columns of the journals of Europe. Mr. Henry J. Crocker has written on late Hawaiian discoveries in the press of Great Britain and that of Sweden. Mr. Bartels has an article on Mr. Pack's collection in a late number of the *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly.* The writer has discoursed fully on the "U. S. Stamp Books" in the *Postage Stamp* and has had a series of specialized articles on the later U. S. issues in the *Philatelic Journal of Sweden.* All this is as it should be, and everything that serves to make American philately appreciated and respected abroad is well worth the while. To see such appreciation take the form of kind words is gratifying to every American philatelist, and it is with pleasure I quote the following from the *Postage Stamp* of Apr. 16. "Mr Charles R. Morris of Washington has probably contributed more to the authentic knowledge of modern United States stamps than any other collector. I refer particularly to the stamps of the issues of the past two or three years. On several occasions I have appealed to this valued correspondent to find if there was official information on various subjects in connection with the issues, and he has that knack of getting to the bottom of things that makes the hunter after knowledge happy." It is Fred J. Melville, the most useful philatelic writer of our time, who thus voices his opinion, and I have reason to underline every word he has said. Frequent, and often troublesome, requests for information and research which have been addressed to Mr. Morris, have, in every case been met with the utmost willingness, promptness and thoroughness of reply. This to say nothing of Mr. Morris' connections which enable him to secure data which would be inaccessible to an outsider.

Check List of Literature.—The *Swedish Philatelic Journal* has adopted a novel and most excellent method of listing special articles appearing in the current philatelic publications. The countries about which articles have appeared during the last month are arranged in alphabetical order, and the article or articles pertaining to a certain country are mentioned with the name of the country as a heading. To illustrate this practical method, I translate a few examples from the last number of the journal referred to.

Crete.—MEKEEL'S WEEKLY March 5, 1910. Mr. W. Ward starts in this number an interesting article, "The Issues of Grecian Crete." Recommended to specialists.

Montenegro.—MEKEEL'S WEEKLY Mar. 12, 1910. William Evans has in this number an article, "The Seven Novtchiya of Montenegro" of interest to specialists.

Sweden.—Philatelic Record, March, 1910. Continuation of L. Harald Kjellstedt's translation of "Sveriges Frankotecken 1855-1905."

Victoria.—"Monthly Report of The Herts Phil. Society" for March has an article on the earlier issues of Victoria, written by the prominent specialist in Australian issues, Mr. L. L. R. Hausburg.

Thus not less than 23 countries are listed in the number mentioned, and it is hardly necessary to point out the practical value of such an arrangement to the philatelic student.

Alsace-Lorraine.—For those collectors who are interested in the historical war stamps of Alsace-Lorraine, I wish to refer to a recent article, "Something New About the Occupation Stamps of Alsace-Lorraine" which appeared in *Berliner Briefmarken Zeitung.* This article includes the following valuable table of old and new type varieties.

4 cent.	Type I.	"4" over "tim" in "centimes"
	" II.	"4" " "ti" "
	" III.	"4" " "im" "
5 cent.	Type I.	The prolonged outside edge of the upright stroke in "5' cuts "s" in "Postes".
	" II.	The same edge prolonged runs between "o" and "s".
10 cent.	Type I.	The figure "1" over "en" in "centimes".
	" II.	The figure "1" over "n" in "centimes".
20 cent.	Type I.	"2" begins over "c" in "centimes".
	" II.	"2" begins over "e" in "centimes".
	" III.	"2" begins between "c" and "e".
	" IV.	With the figures higher up on the stamp, 3¼ mm. instead of 2 mm. above "centimes"
25 cent.	Type I.	Figure "2" begins over "c" in "centimes".
	" II.	Figure "2" begins over "e" in "centimes".
	" III.	The outside edge of the upright stroke of "5", prolonged, runs between "T" and "E" in "Postes".

Types III and IV of the 20 centimes, and type III of the 25 cent. are newly discovered types and worth looking for as they are undoubtedly very scarce.

Swiss Postage Dues.—As new Postage Due stamps for Switzerland are under preparation, the *Schweizer Briefm. Zeit.* obtained from the Postal Directorate, the number issued of the different values of the 1908-1909 issue, watermarked large cross. As such data are always of interest to dealers and collectors alike, I give them herewith: 1c, 800,000; 5c, 3,200,000; 10c, 3,200,000; 20c, 1,600,000; 50c, 600,000 and 100c, 200,000. The Postal Directorate has also announced that in response to numerous requests entire sheets of the 2, 5, 10 and 25c stamps, as arranged and printed for the stamp books, will be sold to the public at the post offices. These sheets, which consist of 90 stamps are very peculiarly arranged. They consist of 3 vertical rows of 10 stamps each with the stamps in normal position. Then follows a white strip of the width of the stamp, which is perforated vertically along the center. Next to this strip came 3 vertical rows of stamps in upright position followed by 3 vertical rows with the stamps upside down. It can thus be seen that from each sheet it is possible to obtain 10 pairs with the stamps tete beche. I have no doubt that when the time comes, these sheets can be obtained by American collectors by remittance of face value and return postage to the General Post-office at Berne.

Richard Senf Retires.—Under date of April 1, Mr. Richard Senf, the owner of the well known firm Gebrüder Senf of Leipzig, Germany, makes his final bow to the philatelic public whose interests he has unceasingly catered to for the last 30 years. Mr. Senf announces that his health becoming more and more impaired, he has decided to retire to private life, and has turned over his large stamp and publishing business to his son-in-law, Mr. Heinrich Neubauer. The latter announces at the same time that the business will be conducted under the old name and that the same high business standard will be maintained. Richard Senf occupied in relation to German philately, the same position as Stanley Gibbons held in England, and his catalogue has been the accepted standard in nearly all the countries of Europe and South America. His exit from the philatelic stage is of more than local importance.

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UNITED STATES.—E. W. Murray calls our attention to the fact that Cincinnati has adopted a new form for precancels, "CINCINNATI" being in a curved line, balanced by a double curved rule line below, with "OHIO" in a straight line in the centre.

The Rev. M. Klosowski shows us a copy of the 2c envelope of 1903, in which the "T" of "WASHINGTON" is missing.

BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE.—*Ewen's Weekly* chronicles a new printing of the 3d registration envelope. The name of the Colony appears above the stamp and "DUTY 4d" below it. The ½d yellow green post card of Great Britain has been issued with "BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE" in one line under the inscription.

BELGIUM.—It is reported that a set of Charity stamps is to be issued in connection with the Exposition, to be good only in Belgium. The values will be 1c, 2c, 5c and 10c. The first three will be sold at double the face value, and the other will cost 15 centimes, the difference between the selling price and the face value to be devoted to the project for building a sanatorium for consumptive women. The Queen has designed the stamps, which will show Saint Martin giving to a poor man the half of his cloak.

BENADIR.—The 5c on 2 besa is now coming in dark green instead of blue green.

CHILE.—The current 50c postage stamp has been overprinted "IMPUESTO" for fiscal purposes, the surcharge being in black diagonally.

CHINA.—*Champion's Bulletin* chronicles two new values in the familiar type of 1898.

Adhesives.

3c green.
7c brown carmine.

CRETE.—The 1 lepton bistre fiscal has been surcharged with Scott's Type B of the latest designs and the word meaning "Provisional" like No. 51.

Provisional Adhesive.

1 lepton bistre and black.

ECUADOR.—Hermann Focke sends us another provisional similar to that chronicled in No. 1005. The 5c Revenue stamp of "1907-1908" has been used this time, the surcharge being in black exactly the same as Scott's No. 155, Type A44, reading up.

Provisional Adhesive.

"Un Centavo" on 5c green.

FUNCHAL.—It is reported that the ordinary Portuguese stamps are in use in this Colony.

INDIA.—*Hyderabad.*—The *I. B. J.* chronicles a new registration envelope.

Registration Envelope.

2a gray blue.

NYASSA.—The *D. B. Z.* says that a new series of stamps is to be issued in June. The only alteration will be the insertion in the upper left corner of the portrait of King Manuel, but the colors will be changed and there are to be two new high values.

PERSIA.—*Champion's Bulletin* reports that the 1908 series has been surcharged in with new values, the 1c, 2c, 3c, 6c, 9c and 10c being surcharged "1 CHAHI" and the balance of the series "2 CHAHI". The provisional stamps are issued imperforate.

SWEDEN.—John Nelson has been the first to show us a specimen of the new issue. The design illustrated some time since has now appeared and it is only fair to say that the stamp looks less like an animated bedbug than seemed possible. The description reads the three crowns mounted upon the lined ball, and surmounted by the large crown, with the figures of value in the upper corners, and the word "ONE" just below in very small type. "SVERIGE" appears in a curved tablet below the ball. The 4 ore value is the only one seen thus far, it being printed on white paper and perforated 13¼.

Adhesive.

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—F. D. Goodhue informs us that the Rex Stamp Co., St. Charles, Mo., has failed, the stock having been sold to satisfy creditors. Dealers will do well to take notice.

—Unable to collect a bill for advertising against Harry L. Perkins of Hartford, Conn., we placed the same in the hands of Edw. L. Steele of that city. Under date of May 5 Mr. Steele writes: "I got into touch with Mr. Perkins April 13 and he agreed to pay me the amount of the bill on Monday, April 18. When Monday came Mr. Perkins did not come around and I found on looking it up that he had moved and so far as I can find gone to parts unknown." Interested parties will do well to write Mr. Steele.

—The *N. Y. American* of Saturday, May 7, in its extended reference to the death of King Edward VII, makes conspicuous mention of the new king's interest in philately. Clippings from James D. Patterson.

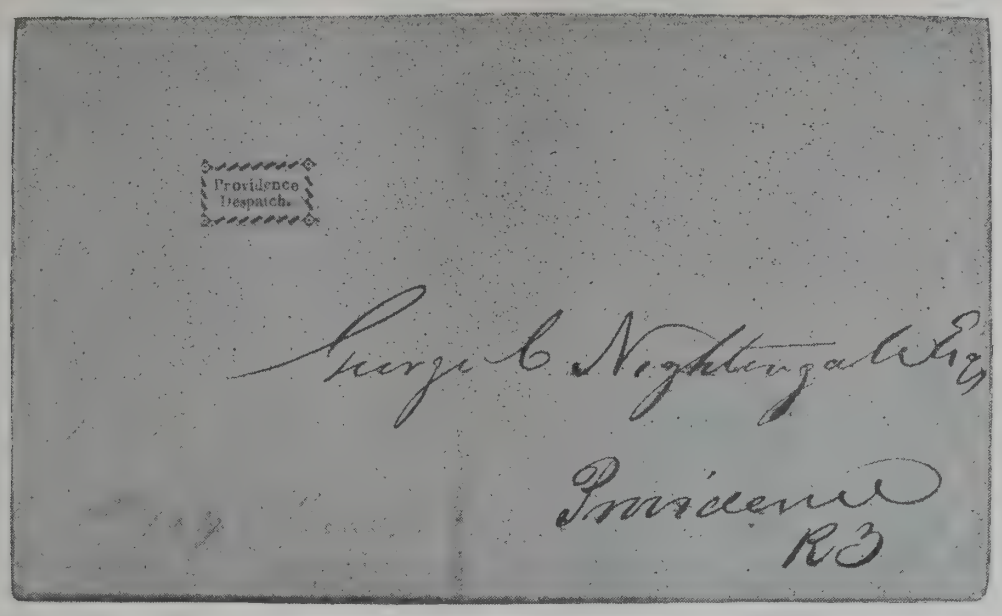
—"I have the following Papuas, current issue, watermark *Crown QA*, sidewise: Perforated 11, ½, 1, 2, 2½, 4, 6d, 2sh 6d; Perforated 12½ (small holes), ½, 1, 2, 1sh. Of these I believe the 2d, 2½, perf 11, and the 1sh, perf. 12½, have not yet been chronicled. Would be pleased to learn whether any of your readers have varieties not enumerated above."—BENEDICT PRIETH, 225 Wash. St., Newark, N. J.

—Several weeks ago I reported a new die of U. S. envelopes; this I have found on white and amber only, on size five. I now have to report still another die, found on white, size five, as yet. It is a very noticeable variation, as the 'W' of 'Two' at once strikes the eye as being away out of line, too high up. It is sufficiently defective to be treated as a rejected die, for the trained philatelic eye is displeased with the appearance and even the general public, in a swift glance, can see the poorness of execution."—CHARLES E. JENNEY.

This is no doubt the Die E "Pessimist" described last week.

VENEZUELA COMMEMORATIVE.

Consul Isaac A. Manning, of La Guaira, reports that the Venezuelan Government has granted Pablo W. Hernandez, of the National Academy of Belles Artes, a prize for the best model drawing for a postage stamp to be issued in commemoration of the First Centennial Anniversary of Venezuelan Independence and that an order has been placed with the American Bank Note Company for 1,000,000 of the stamps. There were 40 competitors for the prize.—D. D. BEROLZHEIMER from *Consular & Trade Reports.*



"PROVIDENCE DESPATCH."

Mr. Kidder in his Chronicle of New Issues recently referred to the cover which we now illustrate. It is the property of Wm. G. Nightingale, who has however been unable to secure any definite information in regard to the same. The stamp is on a circular dated March 5, 1849, from Wasson & Jacobs, 141 Pearl St., N. Y. City. Any information will be welcome.

NOTES ON GERMAN STATES.

By A. H. Dingwall.

I have no intention of going all through the German States, and making each one the subject of a separate letter, and the more so as prices seem to have been recently revised, and very fairly reflect the values which the same stamps have in Germany, only that one cannot now buy very fine copies from German dealers at Senf's catalogue prices, nor even copies on pieces of original covers, so I propose just to run through the catalogue and make what comments seem necessary.

In Hamburg for instance, I notice that the ½sc black perforated is quoted at 9d only, whereas it used to be priced at 1sh, if I am not mistaken. I cannot understand why this value which was used more or less for local purposes, should have become suddenly so plentiful, and think Senf's price of 1sh 6d not at all too much. All these perforated stamps can be found with three types of postmark equally common, but making a very pleasant change in a collection where the three types are shewn side by side. I refer to the bars in black, the same bars either in green or more rarely in blue, and the circular town postmark in green or blue; I saw a collection on one occasion in which all three types were shewn for every stamp, and was much struck with the difference an obliteration makes to the appearance of a stamp, and in the same collection was shown specimens of the oval postmark on some of the imperforate stamps, and the curious wavy lines which were only represented by two or three specimens.

In Hanover the stamp to look out for at present is without doubt the 3pf of 1856, with the *grey* network; it is a great deal scarcer than the same value with black network, and is bound to obtain full recognition now that old Germans are becoming such prime favourites on the Continent, and I have never found the one-tenth thaler with small network very plentiful, at least ten out of every dozen purchased turning out to be the same stamp with large network. To turn back to the earlier issue of 1851 for a moment there is a stamp there which I can safely recommend for an immediate purchase; that is the thirtieth thaler salmon at 2sh 6d in contradistinction to the same stamp with crimson ground, which in my opinion is far commoner, but which is priced at 3sh.

In Oldenburg a very few months ago I could have recommended the first thirtieth thaler Type II, but I see now it has been raised to great dignity at 10sh, and it is worth quite every penny of that price if it be assumed that one out of every ten stamps is the variety Type II; I do not think the proportion is nearly so large, and I found very few in a considerable parcel of various stamps of this country bought some years ago. There is also a peculiarity in the shade of this type which I have found to be common to all stamps, and that is the blue shade is tinged with green, and the stamp should be properly listed as a blue-green, or perhaps more correctly as a greenish blue.

Again, with the fifteenth thaler, the scarce type "A" is catalogued at 25sh, the ordinary type at 7sh 6d, but I do not believe the proportion is anything like three to one, and am sure there were not three copies of the scarce type in all those which I once possessed and I do not think we now have a copy in stock, unless there be one or two in the German stock-book of loose stamps.

Collectors on the Continent are now looking out for the first issue with the postmark of Bremen, which occurs in two types, so that collectors who are fortunate enough to find that their copies bear this cancellation will now know that such specimens are demanding a much higher rate in the Fatherland.

There is little to add to what I have already said about Prussia, nor is there much comment to make as to prices, but most collectors are aware that the small eagle issue of 1861-5 was cancelled with a blue postmark which is not at all uncommon, but quite rare enough to find a special place in any collection of this country. Prussia offers a very fine hunting ground for the specialist with only a moderate purse, as the varieties are none of them very highly appraised, and there is a splendid range of shades to be found in every issue and especially in the head types. and then one may be fortunate enough to come across a specimen with coloured obliteration, which are very scarce now, and are much prized in Hanover and Prussia itself.

Of Saxony I have already written, but there is one point I omitted to notice, viz.: that in the last issue of 1863 the 5ngr blue-grey and the 5ngr dull purple are listed each within sixpence of one another, but I am sure most dealers will agree with me that the purple shade is far scarcer than the bluish shade, and I should be inclined to price the latter at 1sh 6d, which is enough, and the purple at 3sh 6d.

There are several little things to be found in Thurn & Taxis worthy of the attention of the junior philatelist, the principal one being the comparative rarity of a well-defined shade of an otherwise fairly common stamp. Take the first 1kr, for instance, which is printed in either a grey-green or a bluish green. Well, I have found the latter shade a great deal scarcer than the greyish shade, indeed, perhaps, 10 per cent represents the total in a big parcel; again, in the 1862 issue, the pale milky blue shade of the 6kr is far scarcer than the ordinary shades of blue, and is well worth looking out for; another example is the 3sgr of 1862 in the yellow shade, which I have found in far fewer quantities than the same stamp in the brownish shade, and, of course, the same holds good with the same stamp either rouletted with or without lines.

The stamps of Thurn & Taxis are like those of Baden and Bavaria, good bold figures of value such as a stamp ought to have, and they also have the merit of being fairly cheap at present, but are now being bought up in Germany with rapidly advancing prices. They offer an interesting study to a moderate specialist, as there are so many varieties of postmark, the concentric rings being found in various colours, and a good many of the higher values came freely to England and can be picked up more moderately than in Germany at the present time.

With the stamps of Würtemberg I have already dealt, and only wish to add a couple of comments. The first is that in the silk thread issue there is a well-known shade of the 1kr which is not catalogued, but of which I have sometimes had a copy, and that is a fine red-brown, not at all common, and well worth looking for; the second is that in the little 1869 issues, the 1kr yellow-green is much rarer than the common blue green, and, of course, this also holds good with the same stamps perforated. The first issue is being taken up in Germany a good deal, and pairs of any value seem very difficult to obtain. In this issue, also, two sets can easily be made up, one with black circular town postmark, another with the same mark in blue, and to a more ambitious specialist there is still one more in a horizontal town postmark in blue.—*Stamp Lover.*

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King, Geo. E.	Smith, Emil.
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Cornell, Wm. F., 710 Jefferson Ave., Detroit, Mich.; age 35; Sales Mgr. References: First National Bank; C. E. Severn; New England Stamp Co. Proposed by C. F. Heyerman, No. 3101.
Pickens, Eyre L., Cattarangus, N. Y.; age 30; Manager. Reference: Bank of Cattarangus. Proposed by F. B. Griffith, Jr., No. 1836.
Ingersoll, Wm. J., 129 Meigs St., Rochester, N. Y.; age 40; Editor. Reference: W. H. Barnum, A. P. S. No. 585. Proposed by Henry C. Crowell, No. 1570.
Johnson, Edward J., Jr., Athens, Pa.; age 37; Letter Carrier. Reference: Athens National Bank. Proposed by W. O. Wylie.
Art, Carl W. E., 418 Pacific Ave., Spokane, Wash.; age 18; Stenographer. Reference: S. F. Reinhard, North Coast R. R. Co. Proposed by J. E. Rodenhaver, No. 2742. Guaranteed by Wm. H. Art, Old Natl. Bank Bldg.
Cooper, Comdr. A. O., C. P. R. Co. Marine Dept., Vancouver, B. C., Canada; age 55; Sailor. References: Canadian Pacific R. R. Co.; Bank of Montreal. Proposed by W. O. Wylie.
Herrick, Walker, 3735 Ellis Av., Chicago, Ill.; age 14; Student. Reference: Brennan Packing Co. Proposed by George Marples, No. 1603. Guaranteed by Chas. E. Herrich, Father, Sec'y Brennan Packing Co.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3776. Runyon, Ernst F., Fostoria, Ohio.
3777. de Heusch, Baronne, Villa Scharn, Holland.
3778. Pepper, Geo. H., Philadelphia, Pa.
3779. Cooper, Harold, Auburn, Maine.
3780. Martin, Donald W., Saginaw, Mich.
3781. Lauritzen, Harry, Rio Vista, Cal.
3782. Hermann, Arnold, New York, N.Y.

REINSTATED.

901. Barr, H. C., Davenport, Ia.

DEATH REPORTED.

2903. Sheckels, Theo. F., Washington, D. C. Reported by Chas. R. Morris.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

3571. Russell, Chas. A., from 459 to 5062 Winthrop Ave., Chicago, Ill.
2990. Farnham, Fred E., from S. Park Ave. to 4160 Lake Ave., Chicago, Ill.
3283. Ferguson, Anna E., from Drummond St. to 108 MacKay St., Montreal, Canada.
3514. Hayden, Jos. A., from Spokane, Wash., to Box 1528, Sydney, N. S. W.
2225. Cole, C. E., from Carlyle St. to 42 Spring St., Battle Creek, Mich.
3082. Loth, H. M., from Emerald to 7225 Princeton Ave., Chicago, Ill.
3218. Kiusalas, Aug. H., from Woonsocket to 54 Fairmount Av., Prov., R. I.

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	1909
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H. S. ADAIR, Sec.

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The above committee has been conducting its work this year with the soft pedal on and, for that reason, reports have not been made with regularity. However, fearing that the members at large may feel that the work is being neglected and wishing to give credit where it is due, I take pleasure in making the following announcement of results obtained by various members of the committee. Since taking hold of the work, the following number of applications have been secured. By W. O. Wylie, 40; I. C. Greene, 10; R. H. Beatty, 6; Ross O'Shaughnessy, 4; H. M. Clark, 4; W. G. Saxton, 4; F. B. Griffith, Jr., 4; W. M. Artman, 3; A. W. Dunning, 3; D. T. Eaton, 3; Geo. K. Smith, Jr., 3; Percy McG. Mann, 3; O. Kendall, 2; H. A. Davis, 2; H. A. Whipple, 2; J. A. Klemann, 2; S. M. Frechie, 1; F. B. Kirby, 1; L. G. Quackenbush, 1; H. L. Perkins, 1; Francis Rotch, Jr., 1; G. C. Cuenod, 1; W. D. Pierson, 1.

The above includes the Secretary's report of April 23rd.

I am sorry to report that a certain few of the committee men have seemingly failed to take any part in the work but at this time will refrain from specifying them by name in the hope that this little reminder will bring results.

But little more than one-third of the appropriation allowed for this work has been expended to date.

The thanks of this committee is extended to the many members outside its numbers who have gone "gunning" for applications with such good results, and the wide range of members proposing applicants at this time, shows a most healthy interest in the Society at large.

I will be pleased to send recruiting booklets to any member requesting them.

W. H. BARNUM,
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April 23rd.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Applications for membership: John F. Sensow, La Porte, Indiana; Shipping Clerk; age 34. References: S. Schachne and A. E. Gaul; proposed by Mr. Schachne. C. F. Powers, Dorchester Centre, Mass.; Civil Engineer; age legal. References: W. L. Aldrich and Frank P. Brown; proposed by S. M. Edwards.

Dues received since March 31st from Nos. 199, 202, 201, 140, 155, 195 (1909), 114, 203, 182 and 19, $9.50; for application, .80; total, $10.30; which with March receipts of $4.50 has been remitted to the treasurer.

S. M. EDWARDS, Sec.
ARGUSVILLE, N. D., April 30, 1910.

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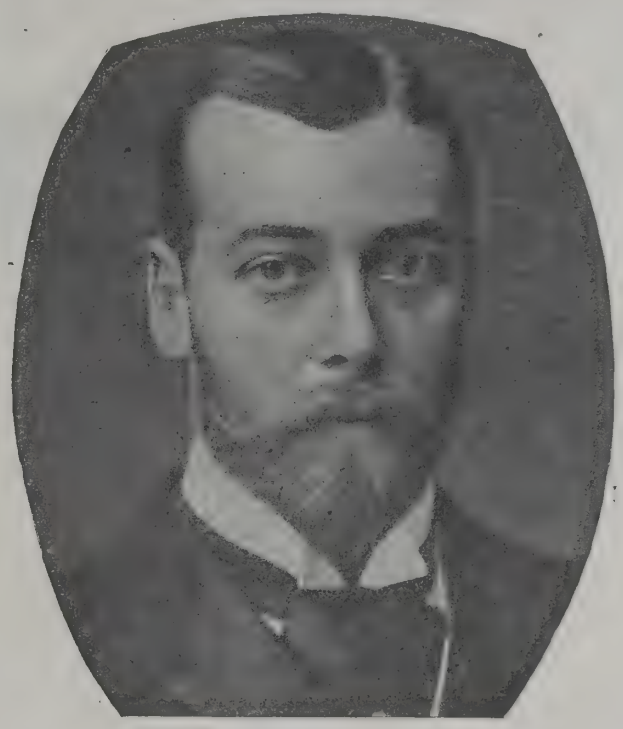

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The ascendency of King George the Fifth to the throne of Great Britain and Ireland will have a pronounced and beneficial effect on philately. Not alone in Great Britain and colonies will the stimulating example of the king's sympathy be felt but far and wide will the warming influence be extended. In many cases the newspapers have emphasized the king's penchant for stamp collecting and many a non-philatelic reader has been impressed by the statements; a new dignity has been loaned to the pursuit in the estimation of many who have not cared heretofore to examine into philately's claim for recognition. A desire to emulate the king's course may be felt by many who will find a satisfaction in following so distinguished a precedent. In good time, the King Edward issues will be supplanted by those of King George but, of a necessity, the change cannot be an immediate one; the transformation will be gradual and in no wise an inundation.

We cannot pretend to discuss intelligently what the future relationship of King George will be with the Royal Philatelic Society, London, of which as Prince of Wales he was president. At so recent a meeting of the London Society as that held March 17th, "the principal business on the agenda for the evening consisted of a display by the President of the issues of British Guiana between 1860 and 1882, the display being undertaken, at the request of His Royal Highness by the Hon. Secretary. The collection consisted of the issues between the dates mentioned, with the exception of the provisional issue of 1862, all the stamps being shown both used and unused. . . . . The necessary explanations and observations on the stamps comprised in the display were given by the Hon. Secretary, and the collection, which was much admired, was examined with the greatest interest by the members present."

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Abridged from previous article by C. A. Howes.

Though the rolls of the London Philatelic Society have contained the names of not a few titled personages, it was with particular pride that the members welcomed one of the Royal Family to their circle in 1893. It is understood that the King, then Duke of York, intimated his desire to join the Society and was thereupon elected its Honorary Vice-President by acclamation. In 1896 he accepted office as President of the Council of the Society, and since 1900 has been its highest officer owing to the death of the Honorary President, the Duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha.

The interest of His Royal Majesty in stamps began, as with most of us, when he was a boy, and as he was brought up in the Royal Navy his voyages naturally gave him many opportunities of acquiring stamps at first hand. In 1892 his collection had attained considerable proportions but was then largely increased by the purchase of another collection of some magnitude, which caused an entire rearrangement into the modern form of movable leaf albums.

Subsequent additions which may be mentioned are: a valuable book of British, Colonial and other stamps, presented by the London Philatelic Society on the occasion of His Royal Majesty's marriage in 1893; a magnificent collection of the stamps of Great Britain, from the record sheets, presented by the Inland Revenue authorities; a very fine collection of British Colonial stamps, presented by the Crown Agents for the Colonies; a fine collection of New South Wales stamps, presented by the Sydney Philatelic Club; and a collection of British North Americans, presented by Canadian philatelists.

It is understood that the collection is now practically confined to the stamps of the British Empire, and the portions of it which have been exhibited show that the royal philatelist is an advanced collector of no mean order. His interest in our pursuit is evinced by his participation in the London Exhibition of 1897 and the private exhibitions of the London Society. It is also stated that "his stamps are always placed at the disposition of his fellow-members when they can be of service for any of the purposes of the London society."

But perhaps the greatest event in which the King figures philatelically, was his purchase of the 2 pence Post Office Mauritius at auction in January 1904 for $7500. This episode is familiar to the collecting world, but it created great astonishment in the lay mind when the news was telegraphed over the globe from London.

His Royal Majesty has also given the London Society the results of some of his own investigations in the philatelic field, the first being a note embodying his researches into the vexed question of the method of manufacture of the first stamp of Denmark, and again last year his valuable paper, read in person at a meeting of the London Society, upon the *Postal Issues of the United Kingdom during the Present Reign.*

We congratulate philatelists in general and the Premier Society in particular in having among their number one so prominent who not only takes a deep interest in our pursuit, but is willing to devote time from the innumerable demands upon one in his position to add his quota of personal effort to the cause. Among the several reputed "royal philatelists," we find here one who is really worthy of the name.

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—J. F. Hinson, A. P. S. 2768, sends us a clipping from the Savannah *Morning News* containing the Burroughs story on animal stamp designs, issued under the authority of the Educational Committee of the A. P. S. This story is having a wide reading. He also sends a 19c permit, issued from Baltimore, Md. This is certainly an odd permit value. Mr. Hinson in closing his letter writes:—"Chas. R. Morris of Washington, D. C., for A. P. S. secretary."

—"Enclosed find check for two years' renewal. MEKEEL'S is worse than Pear's Soap, for I can get along without the soap."—F. HUTCHINS.

—Frederic C. De Puy (sending us a couple of clippings) asks the question as to how many "King's heads" now current will have to be replaced with the head of of King George. He writes that according to his figures the number is 362.

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"	"	2.	"1" leans over to right.
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5 cent.	"	1.	Vertical stroke of "5" is plumb.
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50 cent.	"	1.	"50 cent" normal.
"	"	2.	"50 cent" thinner, and the "5" is of different shape.

All the stamps with small holes perforation are of Type 1, except the 1 cent, which occurs in all three types. It is noteworthy that Gibbons only lists Variety 1 in this perforation.

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BRITISH PHILATELIC CONGRESS.

By WM. WARD.

It would be hard for a philatelist to say which event proved the most interesting, the great aviation success of M. Paulhan or the holding of the Second British Philatelic Congress during the last week of April, 1910.

The petit Paulhan was banquetted, so were we who represented the philatelic societies of our islands. If the Frenchman had a more glorious time than we, then he *did have a time.*

The social success of this Congress can never be excelled—for once in their lives the philatelists who took part in the hospitality extended by the Herts Philatelic Society, the Junior Philatelic Society, the Earl of Crawford and Mr. Hayman of Liberian fame, were eminent princes and partaking of a royal hospitality. Like all good things the end came all too soon.

The social success spoilt the possibility of there being any businesslike success. Everybody had enjoyed themselves too well, to have been of much utility the day after.

However to give a very full report of what we did would take too much valuable space, even if it were of interest outside these islands.

That ardent collector of British and United States stamps, our premier *active* philatelist, the Earl of Crawford, opened up the first day with an excellent speech that could not have been excelled by any of his brother Lords in Parliament. Each word was carefully studied. The noble Earl spoke not only for himself but on behalf of the President of Congress, the Prince of Wales. He congratulated us upon so soon securing Royal patronage—the first public philatelic congress in the world to have that attainment. He referred to philately as a science—made us think a very great deal about our own importance.

The next speaker was Major Evans, who evidently spoke to the point—but as we were so unfortunate as not to catch a single word of his speech we must apologize for passing on to Mr. Dunbar Heath, descendent of the famous Charles Heath, engraver of the first stamp ever issued. This gentleman also conversed loud enough for himself to hear, upon the making of postage stamps. Had it not been that we had been previously instructed, we should have still been in the dark as to stamp manufacture at the close of the first meeting.

The delegates were right royally entertained in the evening by Mr. and Mrs. Hayman at their house in West Hampstead.

The following morning, Thursday, at the invitation of Earl Crawford we went to inspect his famous collection at his London residence in Cavendish Square. For the time being we coveted in thought, our host's glorious exhibition of postage stamps, and listened to several pithy stories of philatelic and general interest.

The afternoon's speeches resulted in a little more or less organized debate. Mr. Dorning Beckton's proposal to have a universal standard of philatelic terms was interesting even if not possibly practicable. Unfortunately American philatelists will spell the color "gray" and use the term "O. G." to define a mint unused state. The French collector is not likely to change his definition for perforation. The result of Mr. Becton's *"observations"* was the formation of a committee to *attempt* to make a philatelic dictionary.

The President of the Junior Philatelic Society made an important speech against the sending of approval selections to boys at school. Several half-tone dealers present of course opposed the blacklisting for obvious reasons—but the majority agreed with Mr. Melville that this hungry form of soliciting trade was to be deprecated.

The Herts Philatelic Society entertained the delegates to a banquet at the Monico in the evening. Among the special guests were Mr. Henniker Heaton, the postal reformer, M. Coyette, the courteous president of the Societie Philatelic Francaise, Mr. Fred Hagen of Sydney, New South Wales. Herr Passer and Mr. Paul King, head of the Chinese Imperial Postal Administration.

The last day of Congress, opened in the afternoon by Major Evans' chat upon forgeries. Mr. T. H. Hinton then dealt with the subject of tampering with Exchange Packets, by the substitution of stamps. This abuse was unanimously condemned, but it was thought that the proper course was, on discovery of the offender, to place the case in the hands of the police.

The writer's paper on the proposal to form a Universal Philatelic Union was received with mixed appreciation—as some considered it out of the scope of a mere British Congress. However as no one attempted to dispute the possibility of such a scheme founded on the lines proposed by its author, the proposal was allowed to remain "as is," so that it may be placed before the foreign societies.

At the closing meeting, Mr. M. P. Castle was down to give a proposal to form an International Philatelic Union to suppress the issues of speculative issues. As however he never made mention of such proposal, we can only note that he condemned the issue of pictorial stamps generally and Liberia in particular. Mr. Hayman defended the issues of Liberia, with the result that Mr. Castle withdrew what he said, and pointed out that we (the Congress) had misunderstood what he had said. He wished the Congress to understand that he deprecated the provisional issues. Mr. Hayman then pointed out that the Liberian government surcharged certain stamps for good reasons. The same gentlemen stated that all remainders should be burnt. Mr. Castle replied by saying that he never intended to condemn the Liberian provisionals, he always considered them highly necessary. Thus all friendships were saved.

Mr. Henniker Heaton closed the meeting—and referred to himself doubly as the member of the first ecclesiastical city in the world, and as the Canterbury Lamb—a title that brought the remark from a prominent visitor, "that it was overdone."

The council dinner of the Junior Philatelic Society was given on Saturday evening, April 30th—the chief guest being Mr. Fred Hagen of Sydney, New South Wales. The toasts of the King and Queen were proposed by the President, Mr. Melville, who of course as chairman proposed the toast of the guest of the evening. The J. P. S. Council and the President were proposed by the writer.

There were many diversions to entertain the diners afterwards—the most amusing of which was an interesting pantomime taking off many well known philatelic characters, such as the Canterbury Lamb (overdone), Mr. Postal Unionstein from Berne, "Sir" Walter Scott's (Cardiff) ode on "Come into the Garden, Ward" (coats off) and many other skits too numerous to mention.

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EDITORIAL.

Opened—Reports of the proceedings of the second philatelic congress, London, will soon be available, and we have no doubt but that they will tell of practical work accomplished as well as sound theories advanced. We learn that the congress was opened under favorable conditions and that the auguries for successful sessions were of the brightest.

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Victoria—In Mr. Kjellstedt's translation from the *Berliner Briefmarken Zeitung*, we find, under Victoria: "The issue of 1885 is found with black or blue, horizontal 'Specimen' measuring 16 mm. and of a script type. The charity stamps of 1897, 1 penny blue and 2½ pence red brown appear with small, red overprint in italics, measuring 12 mm." In this connection, it is to be said that under date of January 29th, 1901, the Comptroller of Stamps, Melbourne, Victoria, sent the following typewritten manifolded circular to an inquirer: "Cancelled Victorian Stamps. A set of Victorian Postage and Postage due Stamps of all denominations from ½d to 20sh, including Post Cards, Envelopes, and Newspaper Wrappers, may be purchased for £1. The full set, from ½d to £100, may be obtained for £5. A separate set of Postage due for 5sh. The stamps will be cancelled either by postmark, or by being marked 'Specimen' as the purchaser may desire, and can be procured on application to the Comptroller of Stamps, General Post Office, Melbourne." Accompanying the circular were two order forms, "Postage Due Stamps," ½d to 5sh inclusive, and "Revenue Stamps," ½d to £100, inclusive. On the "Revenue Stamps" requisition, no fewer than thirty-four denominations are listed; and on it, Section 4 of the Post Office Act of 1883 is quoted: "Any stamp issued under the authority of 'The Stamp Statute 1869,' of 'The Stamp Duties Act 1879,' of 'The Post Office Statute 1866,' hereby repealed, or of this Act, may be used for any of the purposes of the said Acts or of this Act, save and except where an Embossed Stamp is required." The great majority of the sets that were sold by the government to collectors were postmarked to order; these stamps may be distinguished by the beautifully clear postmark of Melbourne, the lines of which are thinner than in that of the regular postal cancellation.

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137	**Dominican Republic**	216
139	**Guatemala,** a good book	125
140	**Hayti**	58
143-44	**Nicaragua**	75
145	**Panama,** large book, grand lot	1980
146	**Peru**	162
147	**Salvador** (not many "Seebecks")	151
148	**Uruguay** and Paraguay	585
149	**Venezuela**	67

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One of the Objections.—A factor that had its effect in shaping legislation for the suppression of private posts and express companies was the tendency of such institutions to encourage, passively at least, clandestine correspondence and irregular conduct on the parts of those whose characters were weak or vicious. While the management of the better known posts was respectable and above catering to the inclinations of the wayward, yet, seemingly, they did not exercise a proper espionage over their postal operations. This consideration, we believe, never has been cited by the historians of the local posts. A critic of the '60's castigates the well-known Blood's Express in these words: "When Blood's Express was first established, its main object was to accommodate merchants, mechanics, and professional men generally, by furnishing a medium of communication with their customers, clients, &c., which would anticipate the slow movements of the old postal mode of delivery. If this continued to be the legitimate object, it is very probable the commercial community would have taken a much greater interest in it than they did; but, unfortunately for this new postal system, it assumed the character of a 'Parisian Bureau,' for the reception and delivery of small documents, wherein 'love, courtship and marriage' were all treated with an eye to excitement rather than as a virtuous incentive to their study and moral consequences. . . . Added to this, many made this penny system the medium to originate practical jokes, and thus the 'express' became a sort of Pandora's (postal) box for all sorts of people to try experiments with fickle fortune, either by marriage or swindling. Both in some instances succeeded." When the government took charge of the express, it soon suppressed these demoralizing "asides" and it was found that the post-office was too dignified a medium for the furtherance of puerile designs.

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A Guess—In the *Stamp Journal* for May is a cut of a "shin-plaster" bearing the inscription, "Benton Post-Office, Due the Bearer, Five Cents, Payable in Postage," and the year, 1838. The owner of the piece of scrip, W. A. Sisson, St. Louis, says that "our Missouri Historical Society could throw no light on its history, when it was shown them." A natural surmise is made that Benton, Mo., was the town of issue. This may be the correct assumption; at least we cannot at this moment controvert it but in the absence of definite data, we name Benton, Mich., as a strong possibility. In an index of 1836, there are a half-dozen Bentons in as many different western and southern states. In 1838, Michigan was teeming with industry and growing rapidly; "wild-cat" currency was produced in great variety due to the sudden business expansion of the state and the paucity of government circulating medium; and we have a vague recollection that we saw, years ago, a somewhat similar piece of scrip in a collection of old Michigan bills that was examined so hastily that no note could be taken of the curiosity. We may refer further to the bill in question and the particular part that it played in the economy of that early day.

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20c to 75c values of such pictorial French Colonials as are obsolete may be viewed as a good exchange for one's surplus stamps of other kinds; such stamps will always be wanted by old-fashioned general collectors in this country who do not allow themselves to neglect outside issues.

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A dealer who makes a specialty of the stamps of any particular country will be likely to provide some uncommon kinds of that country; two pages of a certain wholesale list to hand are devoted to the stamps of one country, per hundred, and the items are delightfully interesting in their extent and fullness.

Selections of stamps that can be described as "odds and ends" probably stand a little chance of attracting purchasers; perhaps the best selling sheet is that on which regular issues are set out in the order in which they occur in the catalogue.

Surcharged fiscals of Crete, 1908-09, are a novelty possibly deserving attention, but are not cheap.

Some Tunis unpaids have come prominently under one's notice this Christmas, but one wonders whether the perforated varieties on issue prior to 1901 are at all popular among collectors.—*Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly.*

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NEW YORK CITY, May, 1910.

Editor of MEKEEL'S WEEKLY,

Dear Sir:—In your issue of May 23rd, 1908, there was inadvertently published a communication signed by our Manager, Mr. E. B. Power, whereto was appended an article which had been published in the Stanley Gibbons *Monthly Journal,* issued by Stanley Gibbons, Ltd., of England. This article reflected on the personal and professional character of Mr. Samuel Singer, formerly of Paris, France, and now of New York.

Upon the publication of this article Mr. Singer brought suit against us for libel; this suit has been amicably settled and discontinued and because of the reflections cast upon Mr. Singer we request you to publish this letter.

We now certify that the aspersions contained in said article were unmerited and unfounded and as far as we have been able to ascertain, after careful investigation, Mr. Singer is a gentleman who has raised to a fine art his profession of repairing valuable stamps.

Very truly yours,
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E. B. POWER, Mgr.

NEW BRITISH STAMP.

"We are able this week to give our readers exclusive information regarding a new stamp shortly to be issued by the British Post Office. It is quite an unexpected novelty and consists of an entirely new value, viz.: 7d. The stamp is of the usual size and will show the figures '7d' in a shield in each of the upper angles, the King's Head is in an oval, surmounted by a Crown, and the inscription is 'POSTAGE AND REVENUE'. The remaining space, in the lower angles, is filled with a florate design. The space between the stamps is lined as in the present 4d value, sheets consist of 240 stamps, arranged in two panes of 120 stamps each, separated by the usual lined blocks, the margins of the sheets showing much, if not complete, similarity to the current 4d orange. The stamp will be printed on unsurfaced paper in slate-grey, but we cannot as yet state the actual date of issue, which will probably be about June 1st or July 1st next.

This value will be largely used for foreign letters weighing between 3 and 4 ounces, for inland parcels weighing between 5 and 7 lbs., or registered inland parcels weighing between 2 and 3 lbs. The stamp will also be of considerable use in the telegraph services, both home and radiotelegraph. To be issued shortly."—*Oswald Marsh's Weekly Circular.*

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UNITED STATES.—Stephen Schreiter, Jr., sends us a photo of the upper right hand corner of a 2c Columbian stamp, which shows very plainly the upper ball of the figure "2" is separated from the rest of the figure by a broad black mark.

The Frank P. Brown Co. has shown us further specimens of Telegraph Franks, supplementary to those noted in No. 999. The new specimens include the 1908 green and 1909 yellow green of the Postal Telegraph Cable Co., with the initials, "I. C." (Illinois Central) at the top.

BAHAMAS.—*Ewen's Weekly* chronicles the current 4d King's Head stamp in pale yellow instead of orange yellow.

BELGIUM. — Others of the Belgian stamps appear to be coming in new colors, as well as the 1fr noted in No. 1010. *Ewen's Weekly* notes the 10c in rose red instead of pink and the 30c postage due stamp in bright blue instead of dull blue.

CEYLON.—In consequence of the unification of the postage, telegraph and foreign bill stamps, for which separate series have hitherto been provided, the *Colonial Office Journal* announces several forthcoming changes in the current postage stamps of this Colony. Six new denominations are to be issued, viz., 10c, 50c, 1, 2 and 10 rupees, and five of the existing values are to be discontinued, viz., 4c, 12c and 75c, R 1.50, R 2.25. In addition to the new values listed above new plates are to be brought into use for the printing of the 2c, 5c and 6c stamps of the current series, and in future the composition of the sheets of the various values of Ceylon stamps will be as follows: — 5c, 480; 3, 10, 15, 25, 30, 50c and 1 rupee, 240; remainder, 120.

The colours are also to be revised to conform to the Colonial colour scheme, those of the new denominations being as under: —2c orange, 5c purple, 10c sage green and purple, 25c gray, 30c blue purple and green, 50c brown, R. 1 purple on yellow, R. 2 red on yellow, R. 5 black on green and R. 10 black on red. Of these, the 5c value only will be printed on chalky paper, as heretofore.

CHINA.—The two new stamps chronicled in No. 1011 each have a special mission. It appears that the 3c is issued to pay the postage on letters to Japan, and the 7c is for local registration purposes. These two denominations were first included in the Commemorative series, and it was then announced that they were subsequently to be added to the permanent set.

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COLOMBIA.—The following recently appeared in *Gibbons' Weekly*, supplementary to the statement reprinted from the same paper in No. 1010:

"Following up the short description of type differences in the second issue of 1904, which appeared in our number of April 2nd, Mr. J. Mallings has sent us some further notes on the subject. Mr. Mallings has found two further types of the 1c, making five types in all; the first of these has the little left-hand hook turned outwards as in the first type of the 2c and 5c. The second resembles our publishers' Type I in all respects except that between the word 'Republica' and the row of pearls above it, three white lines of background may be counted instead of two.

"In describing the 2c, Mr. Malling mentions that our Type II has an extra line in the front curl of the foot of the '2' which does not appear in Type I or Type III normal, but there is another type similar to Type III which has this second line.

"It also appears that our 5c, Type II, may be subdivided into two, the first with a diagonal stroke under the 'v' of 'Centavos' and a short stroke above the 'I' of 'Cinco'; the second without these two marks, but having a wavy line in the broad white border to the figure '5' and a thicker top border line to the tablet of value."

CONGO.—*Die Post* reports that the 50c value has been issued with both Belgian and Flemish inscriptions.

Adhesive.

50c green and black.

COSTA RICA.—The New England Stamp Co. supplements our recent chronicle of the low values of a new set, by showing us the 20c stamp. The design is similar to the others, the portrait being that of Julian Volio.

Adhesive.

20c dark olive; portrait of Julian Volio.

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FUNCHAL.—Through the courtesy of Hermann Focke, we are able to confirm the note in No. 1011, regarding the use of the stamps of the mother country in this Colony. Mr. Focke shows us a cover mailed at Funchal, Madeira, April 25, 1910, with a 50r King Manuel stamp of Portugal.

GIBRALTAR.—The 2sh stamp has now been issued in the large form, and according to the new color scheme, on chalky multiple paper. A copy has been shown us by the New England Stamp Co. and also the 2d in a new shade of gray green, the red label being in a darker shade, and apparently in a little heavier type, though this may be due to heavier impression in printing.

Adhesive.

2sh violet and blue on blue.

ITALY.—As announced in No. 1008, two Commemorative stamps have been issued in honor of the 50th anniversary of the liberation of Sicily, and copies have been shown us by the New England Stamp Co. The stamps are larger than the current stamps of Italy, the design being 21x27½ mm., and quite striking in appearance. The inscriptions read "Francobollo—Postale Italiano" at the top in two lines running the whole width of the stamp, with the dates "1860" and "1910" at the bottom. "5" appears in the lower left corner, and "Cent." in the lower right corner, both in circles. A circle below the portrait has the three-legged arms of Sicily. The portrait of Garibaldi, which is the prominent feature of the design, seems large for the size of the stamp, and is framed in an upright oblong space by bands of laurel and oak. The 5c stamp is sold for 10 centesimos and the 15c for 20 centesimi, the difference between the face value and the selling price to be turned over to the fund for the Fetes to be held at Parlermo. Three million copies of each stamp are said to have been printed. The stamps are perforated 14¼x14.

Commemorative Adhesives.

5c green.
15c claret.

The Paul Collection.

With a single exception (the Ayer Collection, also bought by the New England), the largest purchase ever made in the American Stamp World, and one of the largest ever made anywhere.

From Oct. 16th to Feb. 26th, inclusive, we published each week a list of rarities (look them over), stamps cataloguing as a rule from $100 to $5,000 each, and the list is by no means complete.

Now, for a few weeks, we shall advertise books made up by Countries, these books contain from $500 to $3,000 each, catalogue value, and are of course intended for somewhat advanced collectors, they will be sent to those well known to us, or to those furnishing satisfactory references.

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MAURITIUS.—The Frank P. Brown Co. has shown us the new set, both the Arms type, with the key turned to the right, and four values in the De la Rue King's Head type.

Adhesives.

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6c red.
8c orange bistre.
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King's Head Type.

5c gray green and carmine.
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NEW ZEALAND.—Wilcox, Smith & Co. have shown us the 1d of the "Dominion" set, surcharged "Official", in the same type as noted for the previous issue in No. 947.

Official Adhesive.

1d carmine, surcharged "Official" in black, reading up.

PAPUA.—I. C. Greene reports having seen the current 2d stamp punched "OS" for official use.

SALVADOR.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 6c value in the new set. The design is the same as the other values already noted, but the color of the frame is about the worst yet.

Adhesive.

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The May number of a Western stamp monthly notes editorially the complaint of a subscriber who thinks the journal should, to quote:

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AMERICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY—*Continued from Page 188.*

Fowler, Lord, Rogers, Severn, Whitaker, Wolsieffer. Mr. Gates of Iowa was present as a visitor.

The question of future place of meeting was discussed and decided that Mr. Fowler's offer be accepted and henceforth meetings will be held in his office. There being no regular business, the evening was given over to informal discussion of various topics including the proposed parcels post service. Meeting adjourned at 10.00 P. M.

Next meeting May 11th.

HUGH M. CLARK, Sec.

QUARTERLY REPORT OF SALES SUPT.

April 1, 1910.

Members of the A. P. S.:—

I beg to submit below the quarterly report of the Sales Department for the three months ending March 31st, 1910, as follows:

2612 books in circulation January 1st, 1910, priced at		$52,429.63
203 " received in January, priced at		4,086.35
315 " " February, "		5,088.12
223 " " March, "		4,035.20
3353 "		$65,639.30
599 " retired Jan. 1–March 31, 1910, (sales $2606.74),		11,952.12
2754 " in circulation April 1st, 1910, priced at		$53,687.18
Cash Report April 1st, 1910.		
Cash on hand January 1st, 1910,		$4,504.17
" received in January,		777.89
" " February,		825.25
" " March,		696.64
		$6,803.95
599 books retired to owners,		2,606.74
Cash on hand this report,		$4,197.21

The showing made during the quarter is considerably better than that of the last quarter, although there is still room for much improvement.

The recent appeals to the members by the Sales Superintendent for a larger quantity of carefully prepared sales books with stamps arranged in alphabetical order, and also in the order of issue, have met with a very hearty response, and the sales made from these new books are averaging much better than under the old plan of arranging stamps in any way so that the books were filled.

We feel that the Department is now in splendid shape to furnish the members of the Society with a fine line of books of stamps marked at very reasonable prices, and we urge all members, who are making any purchases of stamps, to avail themselves of the privileges of the Sales Department. This feature of membership in our Society is one of the most valuable that we have to offer, and when its worth is fully realized, the business of the Department is sure to be greatly increased.

We may say briefly to those that have desirable duplicates for sale that they should write for blank sales books, which may be had from the Sales Superintendent for 5c each, fill them promptly and return to the Sales Superintendent for circulation.

The demand for good U. S. postage stamps at reasonable prices is at present greater than our supply, and while all stamps are meeting with a good sale, this class is rather more in demand at present. Do not forget to place the catalogue number and value under each stamp, as well as the net selling price.

The work of the branch managers has been progressing nicely and we append a list with the sales made through each thus far during the fiscal year:

1	J. W. Haseltine, Philadelphia, Pa.,	$873.60
2	Don R. Bennett, Detroit, Mich.,	486.12
3	Charles R. Morris, Washington, D. C.,	421.69
4	L. A. Van Toor, Milwaukee, Wis.,	303.02
5	John F. Rust & H.C.Crowell, Cleveland,	232.57
6	W. C. Emery, Springheld, Mass.,	154.22
7	Geo. W. Linn, Columbus, O.,	98.76
8	A. W. Dunning & J. H. Lyons, Boston,	83.34
9	T. C. Mann, St. Louis, Mo.,	82.42
10	Ross O'Shaughnessy, San Fran., Calif.,	66.45
11	W. O. Staab, Milwaukee, Wis.,	52.22
12	George B. Graham, Buffalo, N. Y.,	42.27
13	Max Wenzel, Brookine, Pa.,	41.13
14	Fred Doughty, Saginaw, Mich.,	32.77
15	Harrie Mueller, Wichita, Kansas,	30.79
16	E. J. Crawford, Fresno, Calif.,	16.15

I might add that the system of sending a large number of books to communities having local branches, has met with considerable success, as is evidenced by the statement above of sales made by branch managers in various cities and localities. We should be very happy to correspond with other groups of collectors or branches that would like to consider the question of receiving branch circuits. These branch managers receive a small commission, and also enter the lists for certain stamp prizes which are offered by the Sales Superintendent.

Respectfully submitted,
PERCIVAL PARRISH, Sales Supt.

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WASHINGTON, May 17.—A postage stamp with a face value of $500 (Straits Settlements money—ED.) was received today by Postmaster General Hitchcock from the International Postal Union at Berne, Switzerland.

The stamp bears the profile of the late King Edward VII. It was issued for the Straits Settlement, and is printed in two colors—light orange and lilac. The stamp has been turned over to Stanley I. Slack, curator of the Postal Museum, to be placed on exhibition.

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*55		3d orange and green	.15	.15
*56		6d violet and black	.25	.22
*57		1sh orange and green	.35	.32
*58		2sh black and green	.70	.65
*62	1905	1d red and black	.06	.05
*63		2d brown and violet	.08	.07
*64		2½d blue and black	.18	.15
*65	1907	½d green	..	.02
*66		1d red	..	.03
*67		2½d blue	..	.08
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APPLICATIONS PENDING.

Hersey, Geo. N.
Weaver, H. R.
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Coppard, F. A.
Smith, Ed. L.
Lichtenstein, B.
Smith, Emil.
Moore, Mrs. F. P.
Hill, Rev. John C.
Pease, Roger Q.
Welling, R. N.
Gove, F. L.
Cornell, Wm. F.
Pickens, Eyre L.
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Art, Carl W.
Cooper, Comdr. A. O.
Herrick, Walker.

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

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Cowles, Burton G., 17 Todd Place, N. E., Washington, D. C.; age 35; Clerk P. O. Dept. References: Jas. R. Young, C. N. Dalzell, both P. O. Dept. Proposed by Chas. R. Morris, No. 2629.

Koehnle, F. C., 203 Tremont St., Lincoln, Ill.; age 55; Real Estate. References: German American National Bank; X. F. Beidler; T. H. Stokes. Proposed by H. S. Adair, No. 2447.

Mulhall, Sydney M., Liverpool, Nova Scotia, Canada; age 30; Postmaster. Reference: Union Bank of Halifax. Proposed by Ira C. Greene, No. 2676.

McKelvey, A. J., Box 321, Tucson, Arizona; age 28; Banker. References: Geo. S. Hughes, Twin Buttes, Ariz.; Toledo Stamp Co., Toledo, Ohio. Proposed by H. S. Adair, No. 2447.

Lifka, Edward A., 2860 Salena St., St. Louis, Mo.; age 23; Clerk. Reference: C. E. Hussman Stamp Co.; Keller & Taunn Mfg. Co. Proposed by L. G. Quackenbush, No. 2675.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3783. Koslowski, Karl, Detroit, Mich.
3784. Haynes, Geo. E., Toledo, Ohio.
3785. King, Geo. E., Buffalo, N. Y.
3786. Grombacher, L. L., Chicago, Ill.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

3651. Sisson, V. E., from St. Louis to 419 Ry. Exchange Bldg., Chicago, Ill.
936. Hopkins, S. B., from St. Louis to Box 32, Rio Grande, Texas.
2924. Randall, W. W., from Manhattan Ave., to 321 W.44th St., New York, N.Y.
2258. King, Chas. E., from 19th St. to 351 W. 22nd St., New York, N. Y.

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Total membership May 7, 1910,	1908
New stockholders,	4
Total membership May 14, 1910,	1912

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American Philatelic Society,

Gentlemen:—The following report shows the condition of the treasury on May first:

Stock Fund.

Receipts:		
Bal.,	$3354.66	
Rec. during March,	97.00	
		$3451.66
Disbursements:		
Two rejected applicants,		2.00
Balance,		$3449.66

General Fund.

Receipts:		
Int. on bonds,	$50.00	
Dues in Sept.,	87.60	
" Oct.,	164.00	
" Nov.,	63.10	
" Dec.,	353.50	
" Jan.,	670.68	
" Feb.,	239.92	
" Mar.,	136.72	
" Apr.,	13.82	
Adv. in Hand Book No.1,	81.00	
		$1860.34
Disbursements:		
Bal. (deficit),	435.98	
Vouchers to date,	967.40	
		1403.38
Balance,		$ 456.96

Insurance Fund.

Receipts:		
Bal.,	$1411.38	
Sales Supt.,	267.09	
		$1678.47
Disbursements:		
Vouchers to date,		344.09
Balance,		$1334.38

Exchange Fund.

Receipts:		
Bal.,	$45.60	
Bal. to date,	8.30	
		$ 53.90

Summary of Balances.

Stock Fund,	$3449.66	
General Fund,	456.96	
Insurance Fund,	1334.38	
Exchange Fund,	53.90	
Credit due Adair,	71.23	
		$5366.13

Resources

Bonds,	$2612.34	
Cash,	2753.79	
		$5366.13

Respectfully submitted,
W. P. WHERRY, M. D., Treas.

CHICAGO BRANCH NO. 1.

April 13th, 1910.

The 284th regular meeting of the Chicago Branch No. 1 of the American Philatelic Society was held in the club rooms of the Chicago Philatelic Society on the evening of April 13th. President Whitaker called the meeting to order with the following members present: Bloss, Bowker, Clark, Dahl, Farnham,

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1910 DIE VARIETIES OF THE 2c CARMINE ENVELOPE.

By VICTOR M. BERTHOLD.

(Referring to a recent contribution by Pessimist in your publication I venture to send you a few descriptions of recent die varieties of the 2 cent carmine envelope such as I have seen. Later on I may send you also a description of the various new varieties of the 1 cent, green. Believing that the noting down of numerous little details of each variety makes it difficult to find the variety and is rather a bewildering task to the uninitiated, I have attempted to give as briefly as possible the characteristic or main features of the varieties that I have seen. So far it seems to me that all recut dies—compared with Die A—2 cents carmine—show the broadened "S's", also letter "N" of UNITED is measurably taller; in fact it is 2½ mm. against 2 mm. in Die A. I hope that this attempt at classification may lead all collectors who are interested in this subject to unite in drawing up brief characteristic descriptions of the various varieties so that I may be able to catalogue them in the revised edition of Bartels' Catalogue which will appear before the fall of the present year.)

The main characteristic of the die varieties as far as known is the letter "S" of STATES, which instead of being short as in Die A is broader with enlarged ends. Thus "S" in Die A — "S" in Recuts.

A second important feature is the position of the words forming the inscription, which in most cases differs with the position of the words in Die A. Moreover, the distance or position between certain letters is often different from the distance or position of these letters in Die A.

Finally, letters NI of UNITED are 2½ mm., but in the original Die A only 2 mm.

Var. 1. "TW" inner oval line and nearly touching each other. "WO" widely separated. "O" low. "CENTS" much nearer inner oval line than in original Die A. "U" of UNITED some distance from 2. Bust is pointed at bottom of base.

Known: S. 13 White.
S. 13 Amber.
S. 13 O. Buff.

Var. 2. "U" of UNITED close to 2. End of bust is broad and looks "ragged." In many other respects excepting "S" similar to original Die A.

Known: S. 13 White
S. 13 Amber.
S. 13 O. Buff.
S. 13 Blue.

Var. 3. "U" of UNITED far from 2. "S" of STATES slightly higher than TAT, the latter is close to inner oval line as are "ES." Same is true of the words "TWO" and "CENTS." End of bust rounded and not so wide at bottom.

Known: S. 5 White.
S. 5 Amber.

Var. 4. The main characteristics of this variety are the rather notchy outer line of the hair and a distinct Adam's apple. Bust ends somewhat angular. "CEN" close together. Cross bar of T in TWO shorter than others. "NI" in UNITED are parallel.

Known: S. 1 White.
S. 5 White.
S. 14 White.
S. 14 Blue.
S. 14 O. Buff.

Var. 5. Front of bust narrow, only one-half the width of that in Die A and far from oval line both front and back. Upper inscription near inner oval line also "TWO," "C" of CENTS separated from "E." The lines representing the cravat do not curve at the back, but are as in the original Die A.

Known: S. 5 White.
S. 5 Amber.
S. 5 O. Buff.
S. 5 Blue.

Var. 6. "O" of TWO some distance from "W" also "C" separated from ENTS. At the left end of the bottom of the bust over the "W" there is a perceptable notch. All T's except in UNITED have short top strokes.

Known: S. 5 White.
S. 5 Blue.

Var. 7. "ST" of STATES very close. "O" and "C" also nearer than in other varieties. "C" some distance from ENTS. ENT close together. Lines representing the cravat are as in original die, but they do not curve to the queue. Bottom of bust is angular in front and not a straight line at back above the S. Chin peculiarly pointed.

Known: S. 5 White.
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Var. 8. Bust far from oval over "W" and end somewhat rounded. TWO nearer

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Known: S. 5 White.

Var. 10. "NI" of UNITED close; also "ST" of STATES; TWO close to inner oval line. "OC" near. All letters somewhat heavily drawn.

Known: S. 13 Blue.

Var. 11. Back of bust almost touches inner oval over "S." All T's have short top strokes. TWO nearer inner oval. UNITED nearer outer oval. "A" of STATES seems rather small. U and N parallel.

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ANENT CERTAIN AUSTRALIANS.

By R. J. Hogg.

The 6p Tasmania on multiple "Tas" paper known as the English printing, referred to by Senax in a recent issue, has been out of issue for about 12 months, being superseded by a darker colour on Crown A Victorian paper and perforated 12½ and 11 in about equal quantities. I have not heard of this stamp with mixed or compound perfs. such as exist in the 1d and 2d of the same issue.

The 5d is only in one printing, viz., the London one on "Tas" paper, perf. 14, but as the stock has all been used up and a large stock of the old type of Queen head are on hand, these latter are again being issued. It is evident that the stock is being worked down with a view to a Commonwealth issue at an early date.

Regarding the possible market value of these issues, I consider that some of the Colonial printings (which have been divided so far as perforations 11 and 12½ are concerned for specialists) are more likely to become rare as soon as the Federal issue appears.

There has been a considerable change in colour of Victorian stamps as printed in Melbourne during the last few months. The 1sh is now yellow, instead of orange; 3d is also yellow, instead of brown yellow; 2d has varied considerably; 1d is much brighter; ½d a darker green.

It is considered by outsiders that as Tasmania, South Australia, W. Australia and Victoria stamps are all printed in Melbourne that the inclination is to bring all the colours into line.

The different types of Postage Dues have now been superseded and one stamp is used throughout of the Victorian type with Australia substituted for Victoria.

TETE-BECHE SWISS.

The sheets which Switzerland is using to make up the little stamp books have recently been offered for sale to the public by the postal administration. The philatelists have rejoiced at this decision because the said sheets contain a variety hitherto unknown amongst Swiss stamps—the tête-bêche—and not only one, but ten to a sheet. The cause of this is readily explained by the process of making up the stamp books. It occurs in the values of 2, 5, 10 and 25 centimes, and all four of these exist in the condition above described.—Translation by C. A. Howes.

STAMP COLLECTING IN SCHOOLS.

A Plea for the Popularizing of Postage Stamp Study Among School Children.

By Leonard H. Goldsmith.

(While the **Stamp Collectors Annual** for 1910 has in its more than one hundred pages a large number of excellent original articles, there is one article that we take the liberty of reprinting, this having originally appeared in an English educational journal, **The Teachers' Aid.**—Ed.)

The latest pronouncement of the Board of Education of the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy is that every school reading-book shall contain a chapter devoted to the stamps of the world, illustrated by fac-simile reproductions. Realizing the immense value of the postage stamp as an educational factor, the Minister for Education in Vienna has adopted this method for popularizing the study of stamps, or philately, as its devotees love to call it.

I have for several years past incorporated a brief study of the stamps of a country in my geography lessons, and would like to appeal to teachers for a trial of the merits of the postage stamp as an educational agent.

Geography is not the only subject in which they can offer information; the entire histories of many states and countries, their wars, revolutions, and important epochs in their career can all be built up from a study of their postal issues. The smatterings of language they offer, small though they be, are not to be despised, but above all these I place the value of philately as a hand and eye training for children.

Your small boy has his eye ever on the main chance, and the slight, in some cases microscopic, details that make all the difference between a valuable and common stamp will not escape him once he is awake to the existence of these varieties, while the arrangement of his stamps in chronological sequence will train him in habits of neatness and order. No boy ever liked his collection messy.

I have found that a collection of stamps brings to the study of a country that intrinsic interest that the average geography lesson so lacks, and have noted time and again the greater eagerness and alertness possessed by boys who collect. The very possession of stamps of a country predisposes a boy to unearth for himself further facts about that country. Recently, when taking an entirely new lesson on Germany, I was greatly surprised to find many of my boys able to give me many facts about the political divisions of the country—Saxony, Prussia, Wurtemberg—as each of these states issues, or has issued, its own distinctive sets of stamps. The names of many towns were known, and one boy was able to tell that Munchen (Munich) was in Bavaria, because he possessed a stamp of that state bearing the postmark of that town. Another told me that Samoa was a German colony, because all German colonies bore the design of a battleship travelling at full speed, and because the value of the stamp was expressed in pfennings—a purely German coin. One boy, indeed, was able to supply me with details of the unification of the German States and of the result of the war of 1870—details he had obtained from the headings of his stamp album.

One could easily form a little "stamp atlas," as many countries—Newfoundland, United States, Hayti, Panama, Australia, etc.—have printed maps on their stamps, while in 1900 Canada issued a stamp bearing a map of the world, with the British possessions marked in red.

Stamps also afford an easy method of calculating the coinage of a country as, by the new Postal Union Convention, all stamps of halfpenny values are printed in green, those of penny values in red, and those of twopence-halfpenny values in blue. Thus a 10 centime stamp of France would give the approximate value of a centime as 1-10th penny, or a 6 cent stamp of Ceylon would give the value of a Cinghalese cent as 1-6th penny.

Although the first postage stamps were not printed till 1840, much ancient history can be derived from their study. The United States of America issued a set of stamps in 1892, commemorating the 400th anniversary of the discovery of America, and bearing beautiful pictures of contemporary events: Columbus sighting land, his fleet at sea, his appearance before Isabella, the landing of Columbus, and his subsequent disgrace, are all depicted on this wonderful set of stamps.

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Newfoundland issued a beautiful commemorative set in honour of its discovery by Cabôt, which combined pictures of this intrepid sailor with the views of the various occupations and industries of the isle—*i.e.*, cod-fishing, mining, caribou-hunting, etc.

The issues of the Transvaal afford us a complete history of the colony. First we had rough, clumsy stamps bearing the crest of the South African Republic, with the inscription in Dutch; after the first British Occupation, in 1880, these stamps were overprinted *Transvaal V R.* They were then superseded by stamps bearing Queen Victoria's head. After Majuba, the Boers, pending a new issue of their own, surcharged or overprinted these Queen's Head stamps with the initials of the state, Z. A. R.

During the Boer War of 1899-1902, the South African Republic's stamps were again overprinted V. R. I.; later, after the death of Queen Victoria, E. R. I. Then followed the present issue bearing the portrait of King Edward.

A study of the early French issues throws interesting sidelights on the many changes of Government—the First Republic, the presidency of Louis Napoleon, the Coup d'Etat, the fall of the Dictator, and the return of France to Republicanism once more.

The stamps of Chili, Peru, and Spain all shew the changes and revolutions that have taken place in their careers, while many stamps bear excellent views of places of interest. The farthing stamp of Malta bears a fine picture of Valetta Harbour; the penny St. Helena shews us Napoleon's prison and the Government House; while each of the present issues of New Zealand and Tasmania bear beautifully engraved representations of the various show-places of the colony.

Watermarks and varieties of paper—*i. e.*, wove and laid—can form a good introduction to a lesson on paper-making, while the varieties of printing—*i. e.*, engraving, lithography, and surface-printing—offer material for a most interesting lesson.

About three years ago I began to try to popularize stamp collecting in the elementary school in which I am engaged, and at the present time there are about fifty keen collectors among the boys, two of whom are now busily engaged in constructing a philatelic map of the world, the boundaries of each country being outlined in its own stamps. I am now able to give little lectures on stamps of various countries, and some short time ago set the following examination paper, which was very successfully answered:

Questions.

1. What is meant by commemorative issues? Name three such, and give details of what they commemorate.
2. What distinctions can you draw between a colony, a dependency, and a protectorate? Give examples of each.
3. Name any six stamps that tell you the productions of their country, and say what those productions are.
4. Trace the history of Crete from its stamps.
5. What country or countries rule in the following:—Sudan, Ivory Coast, Uganda, Morocco, Cuba, Java? and say how you know.
6. What countries use the following coins:—Mark, heller, gulden, peseta, kopeck, anna, ore, para, millieme? Name another coin of each country, and give some idea of the value of both in English money.

I append a selection of answers to the above, given by boys whose ages range between 12 and 14 and feel that a very brief consideration of them will convince any teacher of the great educational value of foreign stamps:

Answers.

1. A commemorative issue is one that is printed to bring to a nation's memory some event, war, or person in that nation's history.

The Columbus issue of the United States commemorates the 400th anniversary of its discovery in 1492; the large Swiss stamps of 1900 call to mind the 25th anniversary of the establishment of the Universal Postal Union at Basle; while the large Spanish Pictorials of 1905 remind us of the 300th anniversary of the birth of Cervantes, the author of "Don Quixote."

2. A colony is a territory ruled by a country in which the majority of the inhabitants belong to the home country—*i. e.*, Australia.

In a dependency the majority of the inhabitants are natives—*i. e.*, India.

In a protectorate the native king still rules, under the guidance of the country that protects it—*i. e.*, Zanzibar.

3. Bahama 1d, pineapples; Labuan 12 cent, crocodile skin; Liberia 1 cent, ivory; Guadeloupe 1 cent, bananas; Canada 1 cent, maple sugar; Perak 5 cent, tiger skins.

4. Crete was first ruled by Turkey, as Turkish stamps were first used there. In 1898 the Powers took the island from Turkey on account of her ill-rule, and Great Britain and Russia both issued stamps for use in Crete. In 1900 a new set of stamps was issued bearing a portrait of Prince George of Greece, who was called upon to rule the island. Last year all the Cretan stamps were overprinted with the word "Hellas" (Greece), and the island is now a Grecian colony.

5. *(a)* The Ivory Coast is ruled by France. Its stamps bear the initials R. F. (Republique Francaise) and the words "Coté d'Ivoire."

(b) Uganda is governed by Great Britain. The head of King Edward is seen on its stamps.

(c) Morocco seems to be under the protection of several countries, as stamps of Great Britain, France, Spain, and Germany have all been surcharged for use in Morocco.

(d) Cuba used to be ruled by Spain, as its old stamps bore the head of King Alfonso. After the American War, stamps of the United States were overprinted "Cuba." It is now a republic under the guidance of the United States.

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—Clippings received from Jno. F. Hinson, Hugo Kuenstler (8), A. A. Hyde, Henry MacConnell (4), David H. Brandt and Jas. D. Patterson.

—A Madison, Wis., correspondent submits a memorandum from the colonial postmaster at St. Vincent upon which the following notation is made:—"The only stamps without dot are the 1p and 6p. The 2½p. has never been changed." Our friend writes:—"In view of the statement that appeared in your paper a couple of months ago to the effect that the 2½p had appeared in the new type without dot, the above information from an official source will no doubt be welcome."

—We quote the following from a letter just at hand, but in doing so express the opinion that the method described is not an entirely new one:—"I have devised a method, original so far as my knowledge goes, of enclosing stamps between plates of glass by the use of passepartout tape. This is an extremely useful means of keeping and exhibiting delicate chalky paper stamps in blocks, and enables one to handle them with impunity. The watermarks can be nicely seen by holding stamps up to the light."

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EDITORIAL.

A Coincidence—In one of the London newspapers that told of the death of King Edward, an item appeared telling of the proposed issue "in a few weeks" of a new British stamp, a seven pence, slate-grey, and particulars were furnished of the design. If the stamp really is issued to meet some urgent need, it will be a most interesting example of posthumous stamp. Should it be decided that it be issued with the portrait of King George, it will be the first of the new king's heads even though some delay must elapse before the selection of portrait and change of design can be made.

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"A Pleasant Time Was Had"—From all reports, we judge that the second Philatelic Congress of Great Britain held in London recently was a success from every view-point with the possible exception of that of attendance of the public. In opening the congress, the Earl of Crawford said that he was acting not alone for himself but as the direct representative of H. R. H., the Prince of Wales, now the King of England. The social side was distinctly happy and no opportunity was neglected to make the congress an impressive one in all respects. Our readers have been given an idea of the reformative measures that were passed and other work accomplished. As for the lighter aspects, the banquet was "brilliantly successful," says *Alfred Smith & Son's Monthly Circular,* to which nothing is sacred evidently, as it proceeds to say: "Even the discomfort of the inevitable flashlight photography and the strident bellowings of that time-worn British institution, the toastmaster, passed almost unperceived."

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Early Envelopes—In a letter dated New York, June 15, 1853, emanating from the office of the Mexican Ocean Mail and Inland Company, we notice the words: "We shall also establish a weekly line of steamers from New Orleans to Vera Cruz, (one steamer is now running there, and another now building;) and with the use of the new *envelopes*—when they appear—we shall actually afford a weekly line from New Orleans to San Francisco; and if the steamers on the Pacific could be arranged, we could make a daily line to San Francisco in sixteen days." The envelopes referred to were the first issue of the United States, 1853.

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Old Postal Report—In the year 1839, George Plitt, special agent of the United States postoffice department was honored with a commission to visit Europe "for the purpose of collecting and reporting useful information in relation to the mail arrangements which long experience, as well as modern improvements, have introduced into the post-office establishments of the principal nations of the continent." In accordance with instructions, he sailed from New York on the 13th of June, 1839, and his return was made August 9th, 1840. During his period of absence, Mr. Plitt visited the postal departments of England, Scotland, France, Belgium, Saxony, Prussia, Austria, Bavaria, Wurtemburg, Baden, and the free Hanseatic cities of Frankfort, Hamburg, Bremen, and Luebeck. In November, 1840, Mr. Plitt submitted his report to John M. Niles, the postmaster-general and a copy of this interesting document has come under our notice, and, as may be imagined, it contains much information for the philatelic historian of today. It is evident that Mr. Plitt was an excellent selection for the performance of the duties of his assignment as the data that he presented was compiled with unusual intelligence. Mr. Plitt had been an agent of the department for seven years before he started on his European mission and he was well versed in the business of a postal kind. He had visited the principal postoffices in the states and territories and the defects of the system of the day had been recognized frequently by him. After his tour abroad, his convictions that a decided reform was necessary in this country were freely and forcibly voiced.

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Met Rowland Hill—It may be mentioned that Mr. Plitt was in Europe when Rowland Hill's penny post system was adopted and Mr. Plitt was generous in praise of the distinguished man who is the real patron saint of philately. He refers to Mr. Hill as one to whom he is especially indebted for courteous consideration; both Mr. Hill and Lieutenant Colonel Maberly, the secretary of the post-office of London, were named particularly as having granted him valuable information with marked kindness. However, Mr. Plitt says that without exception he was the recipient of attentions and favors from the heads of the departments in the different countries that he visited. In his report to the postmaster-general, Mr. Plitt placed specimens of the English stamps; and in this connection, it is said: "Stamps of one penny and two pence each were first introduced on the 6th of May, 1840; and since that period, there has been an increase of nearly 300,000 letters taking the week ending on the 26th of April and comparing it with the week ending 21st June. These stamps are a great convenience to the corresponding public as they can at all times be carried in the pocket, and, by wetting them slightly, they will adhere most closely to the letters upon which they are placed. Envelopes of half a sheet of paper are also in use. The price of these is 1¼d each; but they are by no means as convenient as the stamps. They have, however, been used as a medium of advertising, by many persons having their notices printed on the inside. When this is the case, they are sold to the stationers for ten and eleven pence per dozen."

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The Benton Bill—To revert to the "Benton Post-Office" five-cent piece of scrip, "due the bearer, five cents payable in postage, 1838," that was illustrated in the *Stamp Journal,* and which was mentioned in this column in the preceding issue, the following explanation is in order. During the bank suspension of the years 1837 and 1838, "shin-plasters," as they were popularly called, were issued by many individuals, firms and corporations to replace the specie which sought a hiding-place at the first indications of panic. With the expansion of this irredeemable paper currency, coin attained a premium, and soon it had practically disappeared from ordinary commercial channels. Paper that in many instances became worthless was issued by the bale; it was not long before this inflated currency collapsed but for some time, it was the only medium available and so, it was generally used. The postmaster at Benton did not propose to pay out coin in change for shin-plasters; he used his scrip for protection and convenience and solely for postal business, as the absence of his name on the note would signify. However, we assume that the government would not accept shin-plasters from the postmasters; but that is another story. The curiosity has an admitted interest and our theory that the scrip in question was issued from Benton, Michigan, cannot be proved by any evidence yet at hand; and so, Benton, Missouri, may have the distinction, as the place of issue.

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The design for the new stamp is somewhat similar to the one it is about to supersede, but the words "Postage and Revenue" instead of being at the top of the stamp are in curved labels at the sides of the head which is in a circle with white ground and surmounted by a Crown as usual. The value is on a shield-shaped tablet at the foot with ornaments at each side, these giving an appearance of wings attached to each side of the shield. The margins between the stamps are plain as in the present issue and the margin line round the sheet is broken between the stamps as is now usual on all new De La Rue plates.

The design, in our opinion, is not as pleasing as in the present issue.

Since writing the above we learn, with regret, of the sudden death of His Majesty King Edward VII. It is consequently just possible, that although these new stamps have been printed and are ready for issue, that a further supply of the old green and red will be ordered and the new ones never placed in use. Of this, however, we have not had time to get any definite information.

7d Slate-grey.—This stamp has been placed in issue sooner than we expected; it was on sale at G. P. O. in London, on Wednesday, May 4th, 1910, but only very few were sold till May 5th, which is the earliest date which we have seen on used copies.—*Marsh's Weekly Circular.*

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" " Official 50c, each..... 25c
" " Unpaid 10c, " 10c
Nicaragua 1906, Official, 1c to 5 pesos..... 65c
" 1909, " 10c to 5 pesos..... 65c
" 1906, reg., 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 15, 20, 50 and 1p..... 60c
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STAMPS AND REGISTRATION.

By L. HARALD KJELLSTEDT.

In the last issue of the *Stamp Journal* Mr. Chas. A. Nast raises a question which is of the greatest importance to collectors, dealers and philatelic societies. It seems that a case came up in which a United States gold dollar with a rare mint mark was sent by registered mail. The little package was lost and in settling the claim the post office refused to place a coin collector's valuation on the lost coin. The package contained a one dollar piece and the owner was reimbursed with one dollar. The postal regulations state: "Indemnity will be paid *for the value* of domestic first-class sealed registered mail matter, not to exceed $25 in any one case, which has been lost while in the custody of the United States Postal Service." Another regulation says: "In case of loss of registered mail *for which indemnity is paid,* application for indemnity should be made to the postmaster, etc." I have underlined a few words which indicate, in the first hand, that the indemnity is based on the value of the article lost and is not in the nature of a fixed insurance on which the premium has been paid. From the second regulation we are given to understand that indemnity is not paid in all cases, which means, that registered articles possessing no intrinsic value are not subject to indemnity in case of loss but are simply assured of a safer transportation and a more careful treatment than ordinary mail matter.

The vital question to every sender of approval selections, sales or exchange circuits is: will the Postoffice Department consider cancelled postage stamps as being possessed of an intrinsic value? Will the Department consider a package of unused U. S. stamps of more value than the total face value of the stamps? I fear not. Suppose a block of the current 13 cent stamp on blue experimental paper, of which only ten copies have been discovered, was sent by registered mail and lost. Would the Department be willing to consider its value to the owner and pay the maximum indemnity? I am afraid that 52 cents would be their limit.

With the registration fee raised beyond that demanded in any European country, and taking into consideration the great extent to which collectors and dealers are availing themselves of the registration service, I think American philatelists are entitled to a ruling on this important question, and to have their rights in the premises made clear. I believe that in a majority of registered shipments of stamps, the maximum indemnity, if paid, would only cover a part, and in many cases a very small part of the loss. I am not aware of conditions obtaining in other European countries but I do know, that in Sweden, Norway and Denmark a postal insurance system has been in effective use for about thirty years. In these countries, if you wish to mail a consignment of stamps valued at $500, you take it to the post office, state the value, and against the payment of a premium, which to us would appear insignificant, you obtain an insurance receipt which protects you against loss to the full value of the consignment. Why has the U. S. Post Office Department, or rather Congress, ignored this as well as many other features introduced by European postal administrations for the benefit of the people? Because they would interfere with the lucrative business of the private express companies. The lobby of the latter is too strong for our interests to battle against and we leave that to the people at large, but by united action we should prove strong enough to obtain a consideration by the Post Office Department of our commercial interests as far as the registration feature is concerned. As individuals we stamp collectors are undoubtedly the best customers the registry division of the P. O. Department has, and if we take into consideration the great number of us, to which must be added the large body of dealers, and the philatelic societies, it seems that we represent an interstate commerce, chiefly carried on through the agency of the postal service, that is entitled to all the protection and indemnity in case of loss, that we in good faith are paying for. The indemnity may seem small, and in the case of important stamp shipments it is insignificant but this fact has no bearing on the question of having the authorities recognize used and unused stamps in transit as articles possessed of a distinct and appraisable commercial value.

If any of our dealers or collectors have had any experiences bearing on the question in hand, it would be of interest to the entire philatelic community to learn the details, and if any action on the matter ought to be taken, the American Philatelic Society is pre-eminently the body to which it should be left to do so. The collecting of postage stamps has become such an important source of revenue to the postal administration that the latter can well afford to consider the interests of commercial philately in a spirit of fairness.

HONG KONG POSTMARKS.

By D. B. ARMSTRONG.

Almost from its inception in May, 1860, the Hong Kong Post Office has maintained branches for the receipt and despatch of letters, etc., and the sale of postage stamps in the various treaty ports of China which have from time to time been thrown open to foreign trade.

They were established in the interests of the British mercantile community in the far East, as at this period there was no organized postal system in operation in the Chinese Empire, and even when a few years later the Imperial Chinese Customs Post actually came into being, its ramifications were of a very limited extent and reliability; and as China has not up to now qualified herself for admission to the Universal Postal Union, they are still maintained, and have proved an inestimable boon to the European residents of the towns in which they are located.

All issues and most values of Hong Kong postage stamps have been on sale at these Chinese agencies, and may be readily recognised by means of their distinctive postmarks.

At first serial numbers consisting of a letter and a figure were employed, the following table furnishing a key to the various offices:

A1	Amoy.	N1	Ningpo.
C1	Canton.	S1	Shanghai.
F1	Foochow.	S2	Swatow.
M1	Macau.	Y1	Yeddo, or Yokohama, Japan.

The agencies which had been established by the British Post Office in Hankow and Kiungchow, China, and Hiogo (Kobe), Japan, were continued under the régime of the Colonial authorities, and made use of the obliterators served out to them by the British Post Office until the discontinuance of all except Hankow in 1879. The following must therefore be added to the list of serial cancellations to be found on the stamps of Hong Kong: D28 Kiungchow, D29 Hankow, D30 Hiogo. Upon those used in Amoy the cancellation D27 may be found as well as the "A1" postmark listed above.

Towards the end of 1885 these serial postmarks were replaced, by order of the Postmaster-General of Hong Kong, by ordinary circular date stamps inscribed with the name of the issuing town only, which served for both dating and cancelling purposes.

From that date onwards, therefore, the obliterations of the following Chinese towns may be found on the contemporary postage stamps of Hong Kong, Shanghai (or Shanghae), Canton, Foochow (or Foochowfoo), Swatow, Amoy, Ningpo, Hankow and Hoihow. Subsequently, offices were also established at Chefoo, Liu-Kung-Tau Island (Wei-Hai-Wei), Port Edward (Wei-Hai-Wei), and lastly Tientsin, and all of these cancellations exist on the current stamps of the Colony. At Port Edward a rubber handstamp struck in violet ink was first employed.

In the "United States Postal Guide, 1907," mention is made of agencies of the Hong Kong Post Office in Hai-ping and Hanoi, Tonquin, established apparently about October 1st, 1877. This is the only reference to these offices that I have been able to discover.

The work of these agencies has increased to such an enormous extent during the past few years that the amount of postal business transacted by them bids fair to outstrip that of the parent office. In fact, the current issue of Hong Kong with the cancellation of the British Post Office at Shanghai is as common, if not commoner, than with the postmark of the head office at Victoria, Hong Kong.

Hong Kong postage stamps bearing the cancellations of Japanese ports, Bangkok, Singapore, Honolulu and towns in China where there is not a regular agency of the Hong Kong Post Office are taken from "Ship Letters," and have no particular philatelic interest.—*Stamp Lover.*

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*63		2d brown and violet	.08	.07
*64		2½d blue and black	.18	.15
*65	1907	½d green	..	.02
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UNITED STATES.—Albert R. Moore reports having seen the current 2c stamp, with the line under "Cents" broken.

Edward Wintermute reports having found on a package of cigarettes bought in New York, one of the current "20" cigarette stamps of the United States, surcharged "P. I." in purple; but whether it is a part of the obliteration, or printed separately to distinguish the stamps used in the Philippines, we are unable to say.

The postal authorities seem to be experimenting with the new post cards. Naturally enough, they do not appear to have been at all satisfied with the first printing, and this has been twice modified since. On the first card issued, which may be called No. 1, the printing is very dark, the background around the head is heavy and the collar is shaded. In No. 2, the printing is better done, the background not so pronounced, and the collar is not so heavily shaded as No. 1. No. 3 has the whole stamp reengraved, the lined background around the head has been removed, and the ink used gives a clearer, brighter impression. The figures of value are shaped differently, especially in the slope of the ceriph at the top, and the points of the collar do not come together, as was the case with the first design. There has also been added a frame line within the oval containing the head. We are indebted to Henry A. Mears for information regarding No. 2, and information has also been kindly sent us by William Norwood, Charles R. Morris and others. Mr. Morris informs us that official opinion at Washington is that the latest card looks worse than the others, and that there is liable to be another change soon. The quality of the stock is also being severely criticized, for though the Government is paying more for these cards, there is still difficulty in writing upon them, as the pen tears up the card, unless the writer is very careful.

Howard C. Buttermore reports having found the current special delivery stamp with the date added to the plate number, thus; "5244—09."

George S. Chapman reports finding specimens of the current 2c envelope, No. 5 size, with a line connecting the "W" and "O" of "Two."

BRAZIL.—Hermann Focke writes to say that he has noted with interest the item in No. 1011, regarding the finding by Mr. Phillips of the Stanley Gibbons Co. of the stamp issued to commemorate the meeting of the Pan American Congress at Rio Janeiro in 1909 and which *Gibbons' Weekly* heralds this as a wonderful discovery. This stamp, which by the way was described in No. 977 of MEKEEL'S, and was fully described and illustrated in a number of French and other European papers last year, is now coming to this country on mail from Brazil, and Mr. Focke reports it as having been seen on a number of letters from Para, showing that it has been admitted to the International mails, and was not limited to an interior postage, nor suppressed, as stated by *Gibbons' Weekly*. Mr. Focke shows a cover bearing two of these stamps, and reports seeing at least 15 other copies which were used on letters, all paying postage on letters from Para. Mr. Focke says that as these stamps were used on a letter from Para dated as late as May 3, 1910, their place in the catalogue is assured. By the way, *Gibbons' Weekly* made a curious error in reporting the stamp as issued on account of the opening of a "Medical College." "The gods do sometimes nod!" This is the stamp which has the portraits of the six worthies,—Jose Bonifacio, Washington, San Martin, O'Higgins, Hidalgo and Bolivar.

Commemorative Adhesive.

20 reis blue.

BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS.—Three higher values have now been issued in the new set, and have been shown us by the New England Stamp Co. The stamps are printed on multiple paper, with the watermark sideways, and according to the new color scheme, or rather the supplementary list as printed in No. 1003.

Adhesives.

2sh purple on blue.
2sh 6d carmine on blue.
5sh green on yellow.

COSTA RICA.—The C. E. Hussman Co. has shown us another value of the new set. The design is quite different from the previous stamps, the values and the "U. P. U." and "1909" inscriptions being worked in to the corners. The portrait is that of Eusebio Figueroa.

Adhesive.

25c purple.

ERITREA.—*Ewen's Weekly* says that pending the arrival of the new pictorial issue, the current 25c Italian stamp has been sureharged "Colonia Eritrea" in black.

FRANCE.—*The Postage Stamp* says that all the postal issues of France prior to 1876 are shortly to be demonetized.

GIBRALTAR.—Gilbert W. Emerson also sends us information regarding the new 2sh stamp chronicled in No. 1012.

GREAT BRITAIN.—Almost simultaneously with the death of King Edward the British Government put out the new 7d stamp, which had been announced for June or July. This is the first time this value has appeared on the stamps of the Mother Country, and as it is likely that this will be last of British stamps to appear with the portrait of King Edward VII, a melancholy interest will attach to it in the minds of many collectors. The stamp is of the usual size, the design being apparently a combination of the Nyasaland and Somaliland stamps. The value is shown on small shields in the upper corners, with the crown between and surmounting the oval containing the portrait. Like the Somaliland stamps the oval has wreaths at the sides, but like the Nyasaland design, the inscription, which in this case reads "Postage & Revenue," appears in a curved tablet around the bottom of the oval. The lower corners are filled with a floreate design. The stamps are printed on unsurfaced paper, the arrangement of the sheets being the same as the other stamps of the same size in the current set. The new value will be largely used for foreign letters weighing three to four ounces, for inland parcels, weighing between five and seven pounds, or registered inland parcels weighing between two and three pounds. The stamp will also be of use in the telegraph service. The Frank P. Brown Co. was the first to show us the new stamp, but we are also indebted to William Ward and others for information regarding it.

Adhesive.

7d slate gray.

HONDURAS.—W. A. Sisson writes as follows: "I have just received a very interesting cover mailed to one of our wholesale firms from Jegucigalpa, Honduras. The postage necessary was 15 centavos, so the sender used two 6c stamps (No. 123) and a 2c (No. 120) and the upper left diagonal half of 2c (No. 120) as a 1 centavo. The letter was mailed Apr. 10, 1910, and regularly postmarked. Whether or not there was a shortage of the 1c stamp on that date am unable to say, but that this was used with the knowledge of the postal authorities on an ordinary business letter, there is no doubt."

William C. Royse also reports finding a similar split provisional made from a 2c stamp, while E. B. Cookson reported in No. 1003 having found a cover with a 10c stamp similarly treated. In all cases, this difficulty was to make up 15 centavos postage.

INDIA.—*Cochin.*—Mr. Schachne sends us the latest from this Indian state, consisting of a reply card of same type and size as the former issues with one card having "Reply" in English and native.

Post Cards.

2x2 pies red on white; T.4.
2x2 pies red on buff; T.4.

MAURITIUS.—The 6c regular card is received from Mr. Schachne and has the stamp of same design as on the 2c last issued. Otherwise it is a duplicate of the last 8 cent red.

They have also at this late day adopted the letter card and we find it an exact copy of the current Natal letter card except of course the name and stamp.

Postal Card

6c red on buff.

Letter Card.

4c gray on blue.

MEXICO.—Referring to the note in No. 1010, *Gibbons' Weekly* reports that the 2c, 4c and 15c of the current set have received the new official surcharge, as well as the 3c, there noted.

NETHERLANDS.—Mr. Schachne shows us a revised form for the 5c card noticed in No. 966. The changes are: (1) The headlines are "Briefkaart" in large block capitals and "(Carte Postale)" in smaller; (2) "Aan" above "A" instead of "A" before the first address line and (3) "Afzen-

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der: (Expediteur:)" at lower left. The first and third changes consist in merely reversing the same words.

NEW ZEALAND.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the current 2d postage due stamp, with the centre printed in rose instead of red.

Postage Due Adhesive.

2d green and rose.

NYASSA.—Two new provisionals have appeared pending the issue of the new series.

Provisional Adhesives.

"5 reis—Provisorio" on 2½r black & red brown.
"50 reis—Provisorio" on 100r black and brown bistre.

PARAGUAY.—Robert P. Lee reports having seen the provisional noted in Nos. 1002 and 1003 with the additional surcharge of "1908."

SALVADOR.—The C. E. Hussman Co. has shown us a new value of the set now being issued, the design being the same as those previously chronicled. All the stamps of the new series have the frames printed in a peculiar grade of ink apparently full of varnish, which give the stamps a smudgy, dirty appearance. The stamps are printed in the National Printing Office and evidently the printers are not equal to the treatment of engraved stamps of this class.

Adhesive.

2c dark green and black.

SIAM.—*Der Philatelist* gives the following as the quantities recently surcharged with new values in satangs:

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SPAIN.—According to *Gibbons' Weekly* the new series of stamps has been issued perforated 13x12½. The 5c, 10c and 15c have also been seen perforated 14.

TREGGANU.—This Malay state, one of the group transferred from Siam to the British Crown in March, 1909, is shortly to be provided with a special issue of postage stamps bearing the portrait of the reigning Sultan. The stamps, which the *Colonial Office Journal* states to be now in preparation, will be of the values of 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 20 and 50 cents, and $1. Since the annexation, ordinary unsurcharged stamps of the Federated Malay States have been in use here and also in Kedah, Kelantan, Perlis, etc.

105 China, etc., list, stp. dictionary, 2c. 1910 Cat., 12c. Agts. 50%. Bullard, Sta. A, Boston. [tf*

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

—The Post Office Department is to be congratulated on the improved quality of the new postal cards it is furnishing to the public. The picture of McKinley in the upper right hand corner is not all that could be desired by any means, but hurried correspondents who find they can write on the cards without having their pens catch and spatter them with ink will forgive any pictorial defects.—N. Y. *Sun*, clipping from MARCEL E. TALLER.

—"I note some papers are describing the new issue for the Azores as having a 'flying dove' beneath the portrait. Inasmuch as the name 'Azores' translated into English means 'hawks' it is fair to presume that the bird represented is undoubtedly a hawk, and as such is symbolic of the 'Hawks Islands'."—C. A. HOWES.

—"I wish to express my appreciation of the beautiful token in your issue of May 14 regarding the passing away of our dearly loved King Edward VII. I am sure my feelings are shared by all your other subscribers who were born under the British flag and no doubt by many others. I thank you."—A. W. WHITTEN.

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The Twenty-Fifth Annual Convention of this Society, for the election of directors and the transaction of such business as may be legally brought before it, will be convened at Detroit, state of Michigan, upon Tuesday, the sixteenth day of August, 1910, at 10 o'clock a. m., and upon succeeding days, until all business shall have been disposed of.

I hereby appoint the following gentlemen to serve as the Committee on Credentials: P. M. Wolsieffer of Chicago, Ill., chairman; W. C. Stone of Springfield, Mass.; H. C. Crowell of Cleveland, Ohio; C. F. Heyerman, of Detroit, Mich.; L. C. Hassler, of Louisville, Ky.

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PROVIDENCE, R. I., May 18, 1910.

The 208th regular monthly meeting was held at 63 Washington St., 11 members and 1 visitor being present.

Meeting called to order by Pres. Mowry, the records of previous meeting being read. Voted that the records be amended to read that W. C. Polk was elected to membership, instead of reinstated, passed, and by its passage, the records were approved.

The executive committee reported favorably on the application of A. W. Claflin, 70 So. Main St., Prov., R. I., and he was duly elected to membership.

Mr. Mason, for the Rubber Stamp committee, reported the stamp in question had been secured and turned over to the librarian.

R. F. Chambers exhibited his 1500 variety collection of Confederate States War Envelopes, which without doubt is one of the best north of the "Dixie line".

Voted that the secretary frame the photograph of the old Society group, presented by Walter Baker.

It was decided, after some discussion, to hold a meeting in June, that all might have an opportunity to be present, prior to going away for the summer. It was voted to hold the next meeting the second Wednesday in June (June 8th) instead of the 3rd Wednesday.

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BOSTON, MASS., May 17, 1910.

The 226th (regular) meeting was held at the Club Room this evening. President Wylie presided and 36 members and friends were present.

The Preliminary Com. on 20th Anniversary reported a tentative plan for banquet and exhibition of stamps as main features, and recommended a permanent Com. of seven with the President to have full power to arrange and carry the celebration through. Passed. Com. appointed: —Messrs. Batchelder, Wylie, Rothfuchs, Howes, Green, Bartels and Nevin.

It was announced that our fellow-member, Mr. Henry J. Crocker of San Francisco, "hym that found the Hawaiian Isles", would be here on the 25th inst., and the Governing Board had called a special meeting of the Society for that evening at the Parker House to greet him.

It was voted to have a spring lock put on the Club Room door.

The Secretary announced that the Seybold library was packed and ready for shipment to us.

The following applications were posted: —Mr. F. C. Koehnle, Mr. Thos. B. Stillman, Mr. Edward F. Coffin, Mr. Alfred C. Sampson, Mr. Willard B. Savary.

The following were elected members:—
No. 526. Alpheus B. Slater.
No. 527. Thomas W. Doster.

The amendment to the Statutes adding a third member to the Library Com. was passed and Mr. A. W. Batchelder elected to fill the position.

The exhibition of United States stamps included two fine collections, one being entered in classes *b* and *d* (general issues 1847–75 and departments) and two in class *c* (general issues 1879–1900). The ribbon was awarded to Mr. Geo. C. Gilmore.

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NEW YORK, May 19, 1910.

The meeting was called to order at 8.45 P. M., with 15 members present. A letter of sympathy, regarding the loss of our late president, Frank J. Wilford, was received from the Richmond County Philatelic Society. The exhibition of Porto Rico will be held on June 16th and it is hoped that a goodly number of members will exhibit their collections of this popular United States colony. An exhibition of the Philippines has been decided upon for September. The subjects of auctions, attendance and new membership were discussed. The rest of the evening was devoted to exchange. Next meeting June 2nd.

HENRY J. DICKE, Sec.

NATIONAL AND CONTINENTAL.

BY W. T. SMITH, JR.

I note with interest in your last issue the query of Elliott Perry as to the difference between the 24c of the National and Continental printings.

In 1901 I bought an unused copy of the 24c Continental, which was then catalogued at $25.00. Later on I bought a copy of the National, also unused.

Sometime in the early part of this year I got the copies mixed while changing my collection into another album and now to save me I cannot tell which is which. Up to this time I had been very particular as to keeping each copy on its original auction card so that I could tell them apart, but since taking them off the cards and mixing them I am at sea.

I have taken a chance and as one copy is of a much deeper color than the other I call it the National. In his article on these stamps Mr. Luff gives the following secret marks: "Twenty-four cents—The star at the extreme right of the semi-circle above the medallion five lines have been much deepened and two others slightly so" (see *A. J. of P.*, Vol XI, page 179). Now an absolutely mint copy might show these marks but such copies are very rare and I have never seen a copy so perfect that one could tell the different printings by such secret marks. The copies which I have are to my mind as fine as I have ever seen but even under a powerful glass the stars refuse to give me the desired information.

And while you are on this particular issue why not say something about the 3c also? I venture to say that this stamp is difficult to a great number of collectors as it was for a long time to me. I have in my possession now an approval selection from one of the largest dealers in the country which selection contains a 3c of both National and Continental printings (supposedly). As a matter of fact both copies are of the same printing. The illustrations of the secret marks on the 3c as given in the catalog are of no use whatever to the ordinary collector, in fact, there is practically no difference in the illustrations.

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THE 1907 ISSUE OF U. S. ENVELOPES.

By CHARLES K. B. NEVIN, Member Am. Env. Soc.

(We consider ourselves very fortunate in being able to present our readers this interesting study of the 1907 issue of U. S. envelopes. Correspondence in relation to the same may be addressed to Mr. Nevin at 6 Beacon St., Boston, but where answer is called for please enclose self addressed, stamped envelope.—ED.)

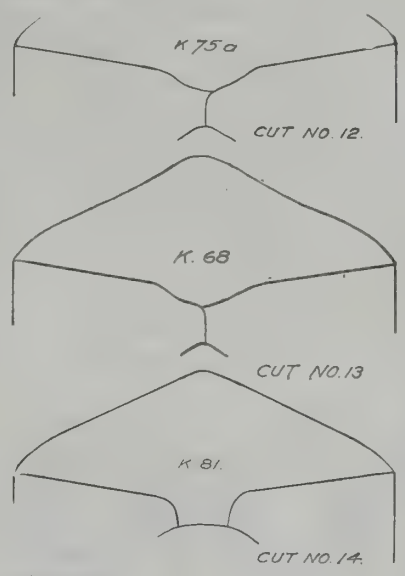
The contract for furnishing the stamped paper required by the Post Office Department during the four years beginning July 1, 1907, was awarded to the Mercantile Printing Co. of Dayton, Ohio, a corporation which had never produced a stamped envelope up to the time it received this contract.

It is therefore not at all surprising, that during the first year, while experiments were being tried, many odd and curious varieties should have been produced.

In studying stamped envelopes, collectors examine the paper, knife, watermark, die, color, and gum of each copy, and as, in this issue each one of these points has presented varieties, they will be taken up and defined in the above order, and then a check list of all the varieties known to the author will be given.

Paper:—The paper used varies greatly in quality, finish and color. White paper is found thick and thin; glazed and rough; pure white; cream white; bluish white; and grayish white; and one variety known as fibre paper because of the little threads or fibres through it. Amber paper is found in pale amber, amber; deep amber; and with fibre. Blue and buff in a variety of shades.

Knives:—The "Knife" which cuts the paper to the particular shape required for an envelope of any given size has given its name to the shape of the envelope itself, for instance, size 6 envelope is spoken of as knife 75a, meaning that knife 75a was used to cut the paper producing P. O. size 6. It will be noticed that size 5 and size 6, 1c envelopes, have the same dimensions, but that size 5 is knife 81 (see cut 14), while size 6 is knife 75a (see cut 12). Size 6 is ungummed and made entirely for circulars, the flap to be turned in. Size 5 is used commonly for drop letters, and when so used, is sealed. The contractors by error issued some size 6 envelopes, knife 81, and also knife 68, an old knife similar to knife 75a, except that the left flap is folded over the right (see cut 13). The objection to knives 68 and 81 is that the flaps catch in passing through the automatic cancelling machines and become torn.



Watermark:—Two watermarks are found in this issue, known to collectors as '07A, and '07B. The former is the commoner of the two, the latter so far having been found only on certain sizes of white paper.

The distinguishing characteristic of the A watermark is the long stroke of the figure 9, which, on leaving the oval top, carries vertically down for some distance, and then swings to the left in a circular curve (see cut 15). In the B watermark, the long stroke of the 9, on leaving the oval top, swings sharply to the left, in almost a straight line (see cut 16).

Watermarks in Error:— Both the 1c green (die A) and 2c brown red (die A) wrappers are found on paper water-

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	30pa	"	"	.12
	1pi	"	"	1.00
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	9pi	"	"	6.25
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1904–9	5pa	"	CA. M	.02
	10pa	"	"	.02
	½pi	"	"	.02
	30pa	"	"	.04
	1pi	"	"	.04
	2pi	"	"	.08
	4pi	"	"	.16
	6pi	"	"	.25
	9pi	"	"	.36
	12pi	"	"	.50
	18pi	"	"	.75
	45pi	"	"	1.85

Antigua

1903	½d	bicolour,	CC	$0.02
	1d	"	"	.06
	2d	"	"	.06
	2½d	"	"	.12
	3d	"	"	.10
	6d	"	"	.16
	2sh	"	"	.65
	2sh 6d	"	"	.80
	5sh	"	"	1.60
1908	½d,	all green,	CA M	.02
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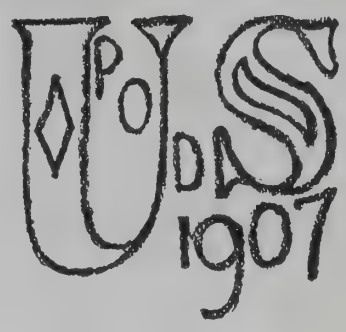

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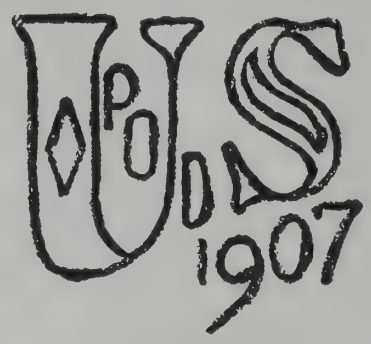

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Die:—The following description of the die varieties of this issue, formulated by the American Envelope Society seems to the author to be the most accurate and concise statement of the distinguishing points, so far published, and is therefore copied without alterations.

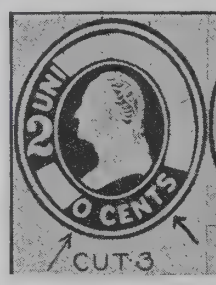
DIE VARIETIES.

ONE CENT

CUT 1

CUT 2

ONE CENT (green). Die A, wide D in "United" (see cut 1). Die B, narrow D in "United" (see cut 2).



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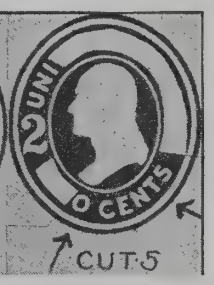

DIE B

DIE A2

DIE C

TWO CENTS. Die A, oval O in "Two" (see cut 3). Die A2, two distinct bunches of hair, clearly divided, at top, each containing several rows of locks curving upwards at the right. Generally clearly embossed. This is rare in brown-red (see cut 4). Die B, round O in "TWO" (see cut 5). Die C, round O in "TWO." Fine letters. In head five scallops show prominently over the ear. Side lock curves decidedly to the right (see cut 6).

FOUR CENTS

CUT 7

CUT 8

FOUR CENTS (black). Die A, "F" and figure "4" 1mm. apart. Wide "U" in "FOUR" (see cut 7). Die B, "F" and figure "4" 2mm. apart. Narrow "U" in "FOUR" (see cut 8).

FIVE CENTS

CUT 9

CUT 10

FIVE CENTS (blue). Die A, "F" over 2½mm. long (see cut 9). Die B, "F" less than 2mm. long (see cut 10).

Color:—The 1c stamp is found printed in light and dark green. The 2c appeared first in brown-red (not red-brown as the color is sometimes erroneously called); later in carmine, both of which vary somewhat, principally in depth of color. The 4c comes in black and the 5c in dark blue. The 2c is sometimes found in a pale carmine which might be called pink.

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*53		2d brown and violet	.18	.12
*54		2½d blue and black	.25	.20
*55		3d orange and green	.15	.15
*56		6d violet and black	.25	.22
*57		1sh orange and green	.35	.32
*58		2sh black and green	.70	.65
*62	1905	1d red and black	.06	.05
*63		2d brown and violet	.08	.07
*64		2½d blue and black	.18	.15
*65	1907	½d green	..	.02
*66		1d red	..	.03
*67		2½d blue	..	.08
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*69		6d violet and black	..	.18

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of the envelope, known as linotype setting, because set up on a linotype machine. In the regular form of request the different lines are centered one under another, while in the linotype setting, all begin under one another at the left (see cut 11). The principal interest in this setting is that it indicates the earliest printing, having been used for a few weeks only. It was soon replaced, so many complaints having been made against it.

Errors, Albinos, Etc. This issue is prolific in errors, due to carelessness or inexperience on the part of the contractors. The most collectable of these are, in the opinion of the author, albinos, that is, envelopes which have received the embossed impression, but no color. All varieties of the one-cent have been found albino, except sizes two on white and amber, six on white, and eight on amber; and all the two cent sizes except two on amber, blue and buff, three on buff, and fourteen on amber. No four or five cent sizes have been seen except the four cent size seven on white, and five cent, size five on white.

Freaks:—Of freaks there seems to be no end, and it would be useless to try to list them, as hardly any two are alike, and many of them are very minor varieties. Among the kinds of freaks which may be found, are double envelopes, that is, one envelope folded inside the other, sometimes both having the impression in color, and sometimes only the outer one; triple envelopes; envelopes with misplaced stamp, which stamp may be anywhere on the envelope, front or back; envelopes which are very much torn or damaged; partial albinos; big heads, due to worn dies, or dies which have spread; and impressions with spots of color, or spots of white, which spots may be anywhere on the stamp. One of the most interesting varieties is a watermarked envelope which has no impression of any kind on it, either embossing or color. This has been found in sizes three and five on white; of course there is no value. A few envelopes have been found on horizontally laid paper. This occurs generally on size eleven, the square size, and is due to the paper having been improperly fed into the machine. It has occurred on other sizes.

CHECK LIST

	1 Cent	Die A	Die B		4 Cent	Die A	Die B
Size	2W	B	*	Size	7W	P	B
	A	B	*		A	B	B
	3W	B	B		8W	B	B
	A	B	*		A	B	B
	5W	B	B		9W	P	B
	A	B	B		A	*	B
	6W	B	*				
	M	B	*				
	8W	B	B		**5 Cent**	Die A	Die B
	A	B	B				
	11W	B	*				
	13W	B	P				
	A	B	P	Size	3W	*	B
	BL	B	R		A	R	B
	BU	B	B		5W	B	B
Wrapper		P	P		A	*	B
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(A rare privilege has been afforded the members of the Boston Philatelic Society through the visit of Henry J. Crocker of San Francisco to this city. Mr. Crocker arrived in Boston Tuesday, May 24, and on that evening through the courtesy of the New England Stamp Co., met a number of the members of the society at the Boston City Club. A very enjoyable occasion resulted, those present being given the privilege of an inspection of Mr. Crocker's celebrated Hawaiian collection, after partaking of the bountiful hospitality extended by the hosts of the evening. A pretty souvenir of the occasion consisted of a half-tone illustration of the entire upon which are three 13c "Missionaries" as found in his collection. Mr. Crocker expressed his great appreciation of the courtesy extended him. The dinner and reception tendered on Wednesday evening by the Boston Philatelic Society were both highly successful and to show the attention that it received from the press we quote the following article from the *Boston Herald*, the same being accompanied by a portrait of Mr. Crocker. The genuine philatelic enthusiasm displayed by Mr. Crocker, coupled with his pleasing personality, will make his visit to Boston one long to be remembered.—ED.)

A bit of paper, nothing more than a postage stamp, and valued at $5000 was the piece de resistance at the special meeting of the Boston Philatelic Society, held last evening (May 25—ED.) in Young's Hotel, in honor of Henry J. Crocker of San Francisco, to whom the stamp belonged. If this was the thing of greatest interest there were many other rarities in the specialized collection of Hawaiian stamps exhibited by Mr. Crocker.

At 6 o'clock a dinner was given in Mr. Crocker's honor, Willard O. Wylie, president of the Boston Philatelic Society, presiding. Among the leading philatelists present were L. L. Green, C. A. Howes, A. W. Batchelder, C. F. Rothfuchs, E. M. Carpenter, C. K. B. Nevin, J. M. Bartels and others of this city, W. C. Stone of Springfield, Freeman Putney, Jr., of New York and others.

At the conclusion of the dinner a special meeting of the Boston Society was held and the greetings of the society were extended by President Wylie.

In his reply to the welcome accorded him Mr. Crocker spoke at length upon the stamps of the Hawaiian islands. His collection was exhibited, the value of it being estimated from $35,000 to $50,000.

The first American missionaries arrived in Hawaii in 1820. To them is due the introduction of the printing press in 1822, the publication of native newspapers in 1834, the establishment of the first newspaper in English in 1836 and the introduction of postage stamps in 1851. It is thus that the first Hawaiian stamps here come to be known as "missionaries", no less than 18 being found in Mr. Crocker's collection.

The rarest of these missionary stamps is the 2-cent value, of which Mr. Crocker has one, and only 12 are known to exist. One is in the museum at Honolulu, one in the Postal Museum at Berlin and two in the British Museum. The remaining copies are in the collections of H. J. Duveen, London (2); George H. Worthington, Cleveland (2); M. Ferrary, Paris (2); while the remaining copy is in a celebrated Boston collection.

Mr. Crocker began stamp collecting in 1871, and from the beginning had a predilection for these stamps, for which he has become famous. Not only has his fame spread throughout this country, but he is known as one of the world's most famous philatelists. In the San Francisco earthquake and fire 11 of his 43 stamp albums were destroyed, his greatest loss being a superb specialized collection of Japan, the finest of that country ever brought together.

Mr. Crocker's visit to Boston has provided the Boston Philatelic Society with one of the finest exhibits it has ever been privileged to make.

2 Cent

Size	Brown-red Die A	Brown-red Die A2	Brown-red Die B	Carmine Die A	Carmine Die A2	Carmine Die B	Carmine Die C
1W	B	*	*	P	P	*	*
2W	B	*	*	B	P	*	*
A	B	*	*	B	*	*	*
BL	B	*	*	P	*	*	*
BU	B	*	*	B	*	*	*
3W	B	*	B	B	B	P	*
A	R	*	*	B	R	*	B
BL	B	*	*	B	*	*	B
BU	B	*	*	B	B	*	B
4W	B	*	*	B	B	*	*
A	B	*	*	B	*	*	*
5W	B	B	B	B	B	P	B
A	R	R	B	B	R	*	B
BL	B	R	B	R	R	*	B
BU	R	R	B	R	R	P	B
7W	B	*	*	B	*	*	P
A	B	*	*	B	*	*	*
BL	B	*	*	B	*	*	*
BU	B	*	*	B	*	*	P
8W	B	*	B	B	R	*	B
A	B	*	B	B	R	*	P
9W	B	*	*	B	*	*	P
A	B	*	*	B	*	*	P
10W	B	*	*	B	P	*	*
11W	B	*	*	B	P	*	*
13W	B	*	B	B	B	B	B
A	B	*	B	B	R	P	P
BL	B	*	B	B	B	P	B
BU	B	*	B	B	R	*	P
14W	B	*	*	B	B	*	*
A	R	*	*	B	R	*	*
BL	B	*	*	B	R	*	*
BU	R	*	*	B	R	*	*
Wrap.	P	*	*	P	*	*	*
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1c die A, on 1903 white S—* * 5R 6P 8 * 13B.
2c die A, on 1903 white S—* 2P 3P 4B 5B 7B 8R * * 11B 13B 14R.
2c die A2 on 1903 white S—* * * * 5R * * * * * 13R *
2c die C on 1903 white S—* * 3B * * * * * * * * *
1c die A on 1894 manila, K 68 S 6R
1c die A on 1894 manila, K 75a S 6B
1c die A on 1894 manila, K 81 S 6P
1c die A on 1907 white, K 68 S 6P
1c die A on 1907 white, K 81 S 6R
1c die A on 1907 manila, K 81 S 6B

P means, it is known plain. R means, known with government request. B means, known both ways. * (asterisk) means, may exist but has not yet been seen. O means, does not exist.

The author either has in his own collection or knows who does possess copies of all the varieties listed above and he would like to correspond with collectors or dealers having varieties not listed. As soon as additions can be verified, they will be published for the benefit of all collectors.

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King George Stamps—In due time, the head of King George will replace that of the departed King on the postage stamps and the coinage. From the English newspapers, we gather the following information: "The designs will be submitted to the King—who is an authority on stamps—and will afterwards be set out in a royal proclamation. Upon the coins, King George will look to the left, as Queen Victoria did, instead of the right, as in the King Edward coinage, as the position alternates in succeeding reigns. It was eleven months after the accession of King Edward before the proclamation concerning the new coins was issued."

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Who Knows?—On the flap of an envelope bearing a five-cent, 1847, that was sent from New York to Philadelphia, an impression is noticed that may be described as follows: The wood-cut is well executed and is printed in dull blue; it is circular in form, 32 mms. in diameter, and has sharp serrations around the edge. At the top in colorless letters is: Message Bird Office, and at bottom: 233 Broadway, N. Y.; the central design is a carrier pigeon flying above the clouds, with a letter in its claws. We are told that envelopes with this marking are found occasionally and we are curious to know what the significance is of the imprint. Is it the impression of the stationers who sold the envelopes to the public at a period in the '40's when envelopes were somewhat of a novelty? Or has it reference to mail facilitation undertaken by the Message Bird Office? Perhaps, the Message Bird was a publication of some kind.

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Good Time Coming—Convention time is approaching and it is not too early to give thought to plans that will permit of attendance at the annual gathering. Detroit is making all preparation for the entertainment of delegates and the natural attractions of the city will be amply fortified through the intelligent effort of the local philatelists. The combination is one to ensure a large and representative attendance; and the opportunity that will be presented for philatelic work and play will be one that really should not be neglected. The reports that have been received of the recent London congress of philatelists whet one's desire to participate in the coming American convention.

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As Advertised—The United States Automatic Vending Company will market about June 1st, their Junior Model stamp selling machine and with the addition of this pattern, the company says that their line of machines is complete. The new type of machine will have two mechanisms, one for the one-cent and the other for the two-cent stamp and the vendor may be fastened to counter or shelf or attached to the frame work. The Model Junior is offered at a low figure to postmasters and in all likelihood it will be in some popular demand; at least, it is safe to predict that the stamp-selling machine will soon be no novelty even in the isolated sections of the country. The company says that their product is recommended as dispensing with the services of an attendant in selling stamps and as allowing the public to purchase stamps when the office is closed. The large machines of this company selling, one, two and five cent stamps are seen in many of the large cities; the stamps are imperforate at sides.

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A Few Quotations—A reader has sent us several letters that were received from Niue and Northern Nigeria, respectively, some years ago, from each one of which, we take a sentence. The Resident Commissioner, Niue, says: "With regard to Niue postage stamps, no cancelled stamps are obtainable here; the unused stamps may be purchased from the Post Office to value of remittance by M. O. and the stamps will be cancelled if desired." The Secretary to the Administration, Zungeru, Northern Nigeria, says: "I regret that it is not possible to supply you with cancelled stamps of the higher denominations as they are only used for legal documents and payment of certain fees." In the instance of Niue, the stamps would be canceled if desired, said the officer wishing to be accommodating. We suppose that there are comparatively few countries where a person of some standing could not succeed in having unused stamps canceled "to oblige." As for Northern Nigeria, while the use of the higher denominations for fiscal purposes is common, yet the growing postal demand for them cannot be controverted.

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Confirmation—A. C. Roessler, New York City, writes further on the subject of the Thomasville locals, the existence of a ten-cent as well as a five-cent provisional having been proved through the courtesy of Thomas Semmes, Jr., *vide* issue of May 14th. Mr. Roessler says: "Mr. Semmes, Jr., states the facts correctly when he says that the Thomasville locals bear the address of Mrs. Wm. H. Hall of Milledgeville, although I believe that a few were addressed to a relative of the same name, a judge. Mrs. Hall told me that she had only one of the 'Ten Paid.' In her first letter, Mrs. Hall stated that she had originally eighteen of the provisionals, so that Mr. Semmes' surmise that there were eight in the lot he received is reasonably correct. The Scott Company lists only the second issue, Thomasville, the circular type, on white, although I have one on orange."

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Cards in Sheets—The departmental order has been issued that the new one cent postal card will be made in sheets of thirty cards each instead of sheets of sixteen cards as announced several months previously. The sheet cards will be packed in cases of 12,000 cards, says the announcement, and requisitions should be drawn for that quantity or multiples thereof. The cards are valid for postage only when they are cut to regulation size, 3¼ by 5½ inches. The new card seems to be meeting with a favorable reception; a condition that is the exception to the rule in the case of our postal card issues.

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Pleasant People—A new interest will attach to the stamps of British New Guinea and Papua in the mind of the collector who reads "Wanderings Among South Sea Savages," by H. Wilfred Walker, F. R. G. S., who went to Papua in search of rare birds and butterflies, not stamps. Of the Papuan cannibals, the author says:

"The Papuans, as a rule, do not torture their prisoners for the mere idea of torture, though they have often been known to roast a man alive, for the reason that the meat is supposed to taste better thus. . . . But this Dobodura tribe had a system of torture that was brutal beyond words. In the first place, they always try to wound slightly and capture a man alive, so that they can have fresh meat for many days. They keep their prisoner tied up alive in the house and cut out pieces of his flesh just when they want it, and we were told, incredible as it seems, that they sometimes manage to keep him alive for a week or more, and have some preparation which prevents him from bleeding to death."

A gentle, airy bit of description. Evidently, the softening influence of the postage stamp still has its task to perform in Papua; in fact, a perfect avalanche of issues might be needed to refine the playful Papuans to the needle-point of perfection.

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C. B.:—Our correspondent submits three stamps for examination. One is a 5pf., Germany, 1889, in a slate color, instead of the usual green; it is a good example of changeling, inasmuch as the reaction was so unforced as to show no traces of the change in the ink or paper. The second stamp is the 25c, France 1903, with a circular blank space the size of a pin-head between the figures 2 and 5; the minor variety enthusiast would welcome this curiosity to his collection. The third stamp is the 25c, France, 1870-71, that is a decided creased paper oddity; the blank space where the paper was stretched is one millimeter in width; it ranks well with some of the creased paper varieties of the civil war period, United States revenues.

O. W. H.:—This reader says: "I have a two-cent United States Express Company stamp, black on blue paper. The impression measures 52 1-2 by 30 millimeters; no picture; across top, 'Two Cents,' with figure 2, at either side; below, 'Prepaid.' 'Two' in large letters at bottom is crossed by 'T. C. Platt, President.' Printed by New York Bank Note Company. Can you give the history of this stamp?" This specimen is akin to that issued by some of the other express companies; such stamps are of different denominations and are used as a convenience in the transaction of express business. Little attention is given them, as they are not postage stamps, and we know of no lists of these labels.

E. G.:—"Why is not an unused stamp without gum worth as much as a used copy? For instance, in the catalogue, Hawaii, No. 34 is priced $2.50 unused, $1.25 used and 50 cents, unused without gum." In the case of the Hawaiian stamp named, the gumless stamps were stuck together in sheets and were marketed after they had been separated by soaking; consequently, the gum disappeared and the color shows traces of the immersion in water and the paper is generally tinged with pink.

R. W. S.:—This subscriber says: "I have two varieties of Wells, Fargo & Co. franks, 'Paid. Wells, Fargo & Company. Through our California & Atlantic Lines,' and 'Wells, Fargo Express, Sonora,' respectively. The franks are impressed on ten-cent green envelopes, 1853, die 4, with red and green ink, respectively." The latest list of western franks of which we know is that compiled by H. B. Phillips and published as a part of "Mekeel's Complete Catalogue," 1895. The use of United States stamped envelopes by the early express companies was ruled obligatory by the government, which thereby compelled the payment of the government fee by the private carriers, who charged variously for the envelopes which bore their franks. There are so many different franks that the collecting of them may be made a very satisfactory specialty.

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ITEMS FROM THE ENGLISH PRESS.

By Charles E. Jenney.

In the *Postage Stamp* of April 16th, Mr. Melville begins an article designed to interest the general public by presenting the noteworthy stamps and the leading events of philatelic history in such compass and in such a way as to command attention. It gives those main facts that should be at the end of every collector's tongue for the information of the uninitiated. It is so illustrated as to add to the interest.

In the April *Philatelic Journal of Great Britain* the leading article is Mr. Pemberton's on the 1867 issue of Egypt. It is illustrated with good cuts. He claims, from die proofs, in his possession, that the stamps were first engraved on metal and then transferred to stone, instead of being drawn directly on the stone as has heretofore been held.

The May *Stamp Lover* opens with an interesting and painstaking article on the first type of Holland. Among the illustration is noticed the "horn on forehead" variety. Both the imperforate and the perforate issues are dealt with. Verily the day of the specialist is at hand and it is doubtful if in any other line can so complete a record of the least details of the past be brought to light as is shown in philately.

Gibbons Stamp Weekly of April 30th opens with an article on Heligoland more interesting for its geological and historical description than for anything new philatelically. Had Heligoland continued an English colony till now it would undoubtedly have a view of itself for the design on its stamps, the little island about a third of a mile square adapting itself readily to such pictorial representation, as will be seen by a glance at the illustration in aforesaid *Weekly*. This country holds a unique position both philatelically and geologically. In the first case, almost overwhelmed by the flood of reprints it has almost been lost sight of by the average collector; and in the second case, almost overwhelmed by the waves of the Baltic, it is rapidly disappearing from sight forever, according to statistics. Some of us may live to look back upon Heligoland as a myth.

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The May 7th of the foregoing paper continues Heligoland, having some excellent illustrations of pairs and blocks and giving some detailed varieties.

The thoroughness of our Masters of Philately is well illustrated in the article on the Native Indian state of Sorouth by Maj. E. B. Evans. Not only are all the post-offices in the state listed but the different mail routes and the salary of the postmaster and his assistants down to the last peon. All this trouble about a country whose stamps he cannot even decipher the characters on. He describes the first issue as hand-struck in water colour. Those specimens I have seen seemed rather done in oils, at least the coloring matter applied gave the paper an oiled-paper effect.

I don't want to arouse a post-office scandal in asking the following conundrum: what British colony once permitted the engraver's name to appear a prominent part of the design, in large letters and one of the most noticeable parts of the whole design?

The *Postage Stamp* of the 7th of May contains the account of the opening of the Second Philatelic Congress of Great Britain under the auspices of the Prince of Wales, now King of England. The Earl of Crawford made the opening speech and was a prominent figure throughout. His collection was exhibited to the delegates at his home and we notice that his United States stamps were contained in 42 volumes. How many American specialists can boast such a display?

The list of British postmarks in *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* is carried to 1099, which is the highest number used, and begins on the lettered series, many of which were used in the colonies. Jamaica A 01 to A 83 are listed according to the towns. When this list is completed it should be bound separately or published in book form for it is of greatest interest to careful collectors of Great Britain and her colonies.

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REMARKS OF MR. CROCKER.

(Parlor 12 of Young's Hotel was none too large to accommodate the members of the Boston Philatelic Society and their friends who on Wednesday evening, May 25, gathered to enjoy the privilege of seeing the great Hawaiian collection of Henry J. Crocker. No less than eighteen "missionaries" were displayed, including one of the exceedingly scarce 2c value. In numerals there was a bewildering array. Page after page showed these stamps plated to a nicety and Mr. Crocker proved his claims to being a true philatelist by his knowledge of his philatelic possessions. Just prior to the exhibit of the evening Mr. Crocker made a few remarks, which we give herewith.—Ed.)

I echo your chairman's sentiments, and I think you all ought to join the Boston Philatelic Society, because the people of California, the collectors out there, all look up to Boston people. They like to get from them their sheets and their stamps. The San Francisco collectors have a reputation, I think, of being rather keen collectors. Some of the best men of the business have gravitated from San Francisco, people like John N. Luff, who used to be our leading collector in San Francisco, and Mr. Sellschopp of Hamburg, who is considered very strong in Europe.

I think you people would rather look at stamps than hear speeches, but if you will allow me, I want to make a few remarks about the Hawaiian stamps, which I am sure will interest all of you. The stamps of Hawaii have never been thoroughly understood, because there were no postal data kept of the government regulations from 1851 to 1866, and after collecting some twenty years I started in to write about Hawaiian stamps, that is, a little over twenty years ago when I made my initial attempt to tell what I knew about Hawaiian stamps, and within the last year or two published a book on the early Hawaiian stamps, and intimated that the later stamps were also of absorbing interest.

The later issues of Hawaiian stamps, that is, take the 1875 issue, are very interesting. You can buy many of those stamps from 20c up to 75c, and the 6c green, 2c rose and 18c rose have a rather interesting history which I do not think is generally known.

The first orders were placed with the National Bank Note Co. and issued in 1875 and later on, I think, in 1885, the American Bank Note Co. had the plates turned over to them. Now the plates were originally engraved by the National Bank Note Co. and when they were turned over to the American Bank Note Co. there were some of those plates sent to the American Bank Note Co., which were somewhat worn and at least three of the plates went to the engraving department of the American Bank Note Co. and in some cases the re-engraving shows very plain. The American Bank Note Co. in order to designate those plates placed their name, using the monogram, ABC. If you have collected an 18c rose and if you find in your collection that you have what you might call two shades you can be almost sure that one is a re-engraved stamp. Furthermore the American Bank Note Co. printed some of those on a coarse wove paper. Anyone who finds a 12c Hawaiian stamp on this coarse paper of the American Bank Note Co. has a good thing and we are just as liable to pick one up for 10c as for $50.00.

In regard to some of the local dealers, they claim when they get caught that they simply throw out a little bait. I like the bait when they send me a $30.00 stamp for 30c. That's what we like about collecting stamps,—that is the keenness of getting a collection together, and I have seen many a collector show his collection and point with pride at a stamp he picked up at a certain time at a low price.

After the earthquake our society disbanded, or rather scattered. A lot spent most of their time getting their worldly goods together instead of collecting stamps.

We have now got our people together out there and I am sure they are going to hear with great interest of the beautiful welcome you have given me tonight. And in return if I can give you any pleasure in showing you this collection that I have worked on for over thirty years, it will please me to do so. I am very much obliged for your attention.

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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES.

Edited by HENRY A. KIDDER.

Any information regarding new issues will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Address HENRY A. KIDDER, 17 Addison St., Arlington, Mass. Letters calling for a reply should contain a self-addressed, stamped envelope. We cannot give applicants the addresses of our correspondents.

UNITED STATES.—Evidently our correspondents are beginning to study their 2c Columbian stamps, for we have received several notes this week, pointing out defects or so-called "secret marks", in various parts of the stamp. Some of these discoveries may not be of great philatelic value, but they are all interesting, and some of them may point the way to really valuable errors. For instance, William Borgerding has found a copy which has the outside vertical line at the right lower corner missing for 2 mm., or as far as the top of the tablet containing the inscription "Landing of Columbus."

Referring to the note from the Economist Stamp Co. regarding a cap on the "2" of the 2c Columbian, D. Rainey writes that he has found a colorless line over the "2", but with a line of color between the figure and the white mark. It is very distinct over the left figure, but scarcely perceptible over the right figure. Mr. Rainey also reports having found the same stamp with the tail of the left "2" broken where it joins the rest of the figure.

Charles M. Breder shows us a curious specimen of Paid Permit, Chicago No. 251, four different permits having been printed on the envelope. Three of these have been obliterated by closely set rules, the upper right corner permit twice. Two of the permits were for 1c, and one 2c, and the fourth, which has not been obliterated, is for 2c. All are numbered "251.". The envelope was used by James Clow & Sons, Chicago, and possibly some of our Chicago readers can explain the curious combination.

John S. Barnholt reports having found the 13c of 1902 on vertically laid paper.

George O. Greene shows us a copy of the 2c Columbian envelope, with a perfect "C" in place of the "O" in the word "of". As the "A", "E" and "R" in "America" are also imperfect, it is possible that some accident happened to the plate,—but the "C" is perfectly formed, with the break even and in the proper place.

Louis K. Stam sends us a label, "Barker's City Post", of which we can find no record in any of the catalogues. It is not on the cover, nor has it been cancelled, so that it is impossible to say in what city it was intended for use. It is printed in yellow green on cream paper, with very little margin. The inscription, "Barker's City Post" is arranged in a circle enclosing a picture representing possibly any one of a score of objects,—such as a beehive, a Napoleon chapeau, a rat trap, or an old-fashioned fly cover,—suspended in the air, with "Paid" above and the top of a building without windows below. In each corner is a figure "5". Can any of our readers shed a little light upon this conundrum?

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The *Philadelphia Stamp News* reports that the current stamps are being printed on a chalk surfaced paper, a chalky wash being used to assist the drying of the ink after printing. This wash is applied at the time of moistening the paper, as is done to print from engraved plates. It not only assists in drying, but also helps to decrease the shrinkage of the paper. This makes four papers,—the original white, the blue experimental, the so-called "China clay" and the new chalk surfaced.

A correspondent of the *Philadelphia Stamp News* says that the design of a portrait bust of Lincoln, which has been adopted for the new 1c postal cards, size 3x5 inches, for filing purposes, will also be adopted for the regular size card now in use, as the McKinley head has not been an artistic success. This portrait head of Lincoln is similar to the picture on last year's commemorative stamp, except that the head does not incline downward, and no clothing is shown. It is a very good likeness of Lincoln, and should satisfy the most fastidious.

BERMUDA.—The *Bermuda Royal Gazette* prints the official correspondence regarding the new design for the postage stamps of the colony. If approved by the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the new stamps will show a ship of the 17th century under full sail, flying the Cross of St. George. The representation of a ship is not an innovation, but a revival of the design appearing on the reverse of the local copper coinage known as "Hog Money", and on other coinage which was current up to the end of the 18th century. A ship of the period was incorporated in the Arms granted to the Bermuda Company in 1619 in the Company's seal which was in use for the first 65 years of the Colony's existence. Certainly in the latter case, and probably in the former also, the ship was intended to commemorate the "Sea Venture", in which Sir George Somers was cast away near St. George's in 1609. The adoption of this emblem for the permanent stamp issue of the Colony will therefore be peculiarly appropriate on the tercentenary of Bermuda's discovery by its future colonists.

GREAT BRITAIN.—A. A. Kelson also kindly submits a specimen of the new 7d stamp, previously noted. *Ewen's Weekly* says the new stamp was placed on sale in London, May 4.

NICARAGUA.—The C. E. Hussman Stamp Co. shows a couple of blocks of the 20c claret of 1907, Waterlow imprint, surcharged "B—Dpto. Zelaya", one stamp having a "D" in place of "B". Although the blocks submitted have each 10 stamps, we are unable to give the location in the sheet of the error.

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NYASSA.—*Ewen's Weekly* reports that the 2½r, 5r and 10r have been reprinted, the frames being in slate black, instead of black, and the shades of the centres also differ slightly from the earlier printing. By the way, the note in No. 1013 on the new provisionals should have been credited to the Frank P. Brown Co.

PARAGUAY.—A new set of stamps from this country has been shown us in unused form by the New England Stamp Co. and we are also indebted to the C. E. Hussman Stamp Co. for a specimen of the 20c used, on a cover with two of the "1909" surcharges. One design is used throughout the set, the value being printed in figures in a large transverse oval, evidently arranged to be changed easily. The design is an adaptation of the 1887 issue, Scott's A12, with material variations in the arrangement of the arms, which now appear in a circle in the upper part of the stamp, no part of which infringes upon the oval containing the figures of value. This circle contains a rayed star, with "Republica del Paraguay" in small letters around the inner line of the circle. The curved line containing the word "Centavos" now touches the bottom line of the stamp. Curiously enough, the lion and pole supporting the liberty cap nowhere appears on the stamp. "Union Postal Universal" is printed in the same manner as the 1887 issue, and the corner ornaments are also very similar. The new stamps are all printed on thin white wove paper, and are perforated 11x11½. They are slightly smaller than the late issues.

Adhesives.

1c brown black.
10c yellow green.
20c vermilion red.
50c carmine.
75c blue.

TURKEY.—*Lemaire's Journal* announces that the 2pi value of the new postage due set has been issued.

Postage Due Adhesive.

2pi black on red.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—E. B. Power, manager of Stanley Gibbons, N. Y. city, was a recent caller at the WEEKLY office. Mr. Power expressed himself well pleased with the past year's business, a handsome increase being reported. He informs us that a South American branch of the Gibbons firm will shortly be opened at Buenos Ayres.

—Clippings received from Russell L. Stultz, Hugo Kuenstler, H. A. Wahlborg, Marcel E. Taller, D. D. Berolzheimer, C. Davidson, M. E. Barzelay (2), Alfon J. A. Stark, M. A. Lesser, Marcel E. Taller (2) and G. de Lachasse.

—T. H. Hinton favors us with a specimen of the souvenir issued in connection with the Second British Philatelic Congress. It is a large, handsomely engraved label bearing the imprint "Perkins, Bacon & Co.," which is of itself a sufficient guarantee of merit. It is printed in a fine carmine and shows a profile of Queen Victoria as she appears upon the Victoria 1854-60 1sh, except that she is facing to the right instead of the left.

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AMERICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY—*Continued from Page 204.*

The regular quarterly meeting of the District of Columbia Branch No. 36, A. P. S., was held on May 11, 1910, in Room 210, Corcoran Building, which room will hereafter be used as a club room for the Branch.

The president, Mr. Morris, announced the death of Theo. F. Sheckels, former secretary, and a resolution passed by the Columbus Collectors' Club, expressing their sincere sympathy for the District of Columbia Branch on account of the loss of their recent secretary was read and ordered incorporated in the minutes of the meeting.

The Branch then proceeded to the election of a new secretary and F. B. Wheaton, vice president of the Washington Philatelic Society, was elected.

FRANCIS B. WHEATON, Sec.
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BUFFALO BRANCH NO. 37.

The seventh regular meeting was held on Thursday evening, April 21st, at 550 Ellicott Square, with eight members present. Circuit books were examined, after which E. D. Ingraham gave us an interesting informal talk. Meeting adjourned at 11 P. M.

WARREN C. TUDBURY, Sec.

BUFFALO BRANCH NO. 37.

The eighth regular meeting was held on Thursday evening, May 5th, at 550 Ellicott Square. Nine members were present. Members examined A. P. S. circuit books. Meeting adjourned at 11 P. M.

The next meeting will be held Thursday evening, May 19th, at 550 Ellicott Square.

WARREN C. TUDBURY, Sec.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING JUNE 4, 1910.

APPLICATIONS PENDING.

Cornell, Wm. F.	Saunders, Oliver F.
Pickens, Eyre L.	Ralsted, H. E. M.
Ingersol, Wm. J.	Chumley, H. H.
Johnson, Edward J., Jr.	Yaremdji, Michael A.
Art, Carl W.	Sanderson, George.
Cooper, Comd'r A. C.	Turner, H. G.
Herrick, Walker.	Lilienthal, Arthur G.
Cowles, Burton G.	Hanger, G. Wallace.
Koehnle, F. C.	Wilson, Edwin C.
Mulhall, Sydney M.	Ballard, O. L.
McKelvey, A. J.	Scofield, A. B.
Lifka, Edward.	Heller, Leonard G.

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Huber, A. W., 629 Sheridan Road, Chicago, Ill.; age 39; General Manager. Reference: Continental National Bank. Proposed by Axel E. Johnson, No. 2440.

Carpenter, A. Everly, 4824 N. 12th St., Philadelphia, Pa.; age 27; Manager. Reference: Commonwealth Title Indemnity & Trust Co. Proposed by Fred'k Liebeck, No. 2065.

Mearns, Louis Z., Southern Observatory, Carnegie Institution, San Luis, Argentine Republic; age 23; Civil Engineer. Reference: Savings Bank of Newport, R. I. Proposed by Ira C. Greene, No. 2676.

Bryant, Arthur H., Fort Mansfield, Watch Hill, R. I.; age 32; Capt. U. S. A. Reference: Bank of Hampton, Va. Proposed by Willard O. Wylie.

Lewis, Charles, 713 Security Bldg., St. Louis, Mo.; age 52; Adv. Agent. References: Mississippi Valley Trust Co.; W. A. Sisson. Proposed by T. C. Mann, No. 2878.

Loeffler, Frank A., 3410 13th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.; age 41; Examiner. Reference: Geo. L. Toppan. Proposed by Chas. R. Morris, No. 2629.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3793. Smith, Emil, Brooklyn, N. Y.
3794. Moore, Mrs. F. P., Canton, Ohio.
3795. Hill, Rev. John Clark, Springfield, O.
3796. Pease, Roger Quincy, Newton Center, Mass.
3797. Welling, R. N., Butte, Mont.
3798. Gove, F. L., Oakland, Cal.

APPLICATION FOR REINSTATEMENT.

1231. French, LeGrand, 6723 Quinby Av., Cleveland, Ohio; age 38; Inspector. Proposed by Henry Clark Crowell, No. 1570.

RESIGNATIONS ACCEPTED.

3394. McKenzie, George C., 27 Oak St., Meriden, Conn.
3587. North, Wm. R., Solvay, N. Y.
3370. Nocht, Mrs. Ewald, Montclair, N. J.

EXPELLED by Order Board of Directors.

3366. Wentz, Paul P., Sharon, Pa.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

3511. Hunt, David, Jr., from Cleveland, O., to care E. M. F. Co., Detroit, Mich.
3643. Roemer, Edward, from 523 to 682 Mission St., San Francisco, Cal.
2672. Williams, Roger, from Lincoln to Gothenburg, Neb.
3283. Ferguson, Anna E., from Drummond St. to care Montreal Viavi Co., Lindsay Bldg., St. Catherine's Street, Montreal, Canada.

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	1924
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Total membership June 4, 1910,	1922

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A. P. S. HISTORICAL NOTES.

By H. A. DAVIS, Pres. Col. Branch No. 22.

Year 1909, 24th Annual Convention.

A charter was granted the Wichita Stamp Collectors' Club, Wichita, Kans., in January. In February the Osterreichischer Philatelisten Klub elected the A. P. S. a corresponding member. February 13th Secretary Adair dropped 178 members for non-payment of dues, leaving a total membership of 1448.

On May 8th the following nominations for Board of Directors were published in the official journal:

By Philadelphia Branch No. 18—President, Henry N. Mudge, Ill.; Bd. V. Pres., J. A. Steinmetz, Chas. Beamish and A. F. Henkels, all of Pa.; Sec., H. S. Adair, Ohio; Treas., H. G. Smith, Minn.; Int. Sec., Julian Park, N. Y.; Directors, A. H. Weber, Calif., Gen. C. A. Coolidge, Mich.

By St. Louis Branch No. 4—President, Henry N. Mudge, Ill.; Bd. V. Pres., F. R. Cornwall, A. Strauss and Chester Myers, all of Mo.; Sec., H. S. Adair, Ohio; Treas., Dr. W. P. Wherry, Neb.; Int. Sec., L. Harald Kjellstedt, Pa.; Directors, A. H. Weber, Calif., Gen. C. A. Coolidge, Mich.

June 1st, President Luff announced the call for the 24th annual convention to be held at Atlantic City, N. J., on Tuesday, Aug. 24th.

It was announced through the official journal in June that the British Guiana Philatelic Society had elected the A. P. S. as a corresponding member.

In a communication to the stockholders of the A. P. S., dated June 1st and published in the official journal, MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS, June 5th, President Luff announced a mail vote on three different amendments, having been presented with three petitions signed by over 100 stockholders of the Society. The ballots were counted July 15th.

The Board of Vice Presidents made their report as follows soon after the 15th of July, as follows:

1st Amendment: To Arts. VII and X (*Quarterly* Amendment). The amendment was carried by a vote of 649 yeas to 75 nays.

2nd Amendment: To Art. III (Proxy Amendment. They were to be assigned to the Credentials Committee, who alone should have power to vote them, acting in accordance with instructions). The amendment was lost by a vote of nays 270 to yeas 455.

3rd Amendment: To Art. III (Exchange Supt. and Editors of official journal not to hold proxies). The amendment was lost by a vote of nays 202 to yeas 505.

The membership at this time numbered 1700, number of ballots necessary to carry, 567.

The Board of Vice Presidents published in the official journal a notice to the effect that they would propose an amendment at the 24th annual convention, removing the ban on the Board of Directors holding proxies. (This amendment was proposed and defeated.)

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The 24th annual convention was called to order by President Luff at the Hotel Rudolph, Atlantic City, N. J., Aug. 24th. Mr. J. A. Steinmetz of the Philadelphia Branch made an address of welcome. There were 79 members, 32 visitors present and 925 represented by proxy.

The Secretary's report showed the total membership to be 1757, a net gain of 243 members for the fiscal year. 180 were dropped for non-payment of dues, 15 deaths, and 3 were expelled. Two new branches were formed, Wichita, Kans. and Binghamton, N. Y. The Scranton Branch was dropped for non-payment of dues.

The Treasurer's report showed receipts to be $2088.42; disbursements, $2612.12; Gen. Acct. overdrawn, $480.24; balance in Stock Acct., $3387.66; Insurance Acct., $1411.38; Exchange Acct., $49.60.

The Sales Supt.'s report showed that total amount of value of stamps received to be $94,399.76 from which sales were made to the amount of $11,227.62.

Detroit, Mich., was selected as the seat of the next convention, on the acceptance and adoption of the committee's report on place of next convention. Invitations were received from Chicago, Saratoga Springs, Milwaukee, Put-in-Bay and Detroit. None but Detroit however was nominated. This was the first instance in many years when a proxy vote did not determine the convention seat for the following year.

The contest for official organ waxed warm, MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS was an easy victor by a vote of 675 to 243 for *Redfield's Stamp Weekly.*

The ticket as nominated by the St. Louis Branch was elected. $50 was appropriated for binding books in the library, and if necessary $100.00. Minors to be noted in the membership list by an asterisk. Responsibility of reference of applicant for membership to be certified to by proposer.

The matter of the priced catalog which had been much talked of and written about and for which Secretary Adair had received subscriptions for 238 copies and $283.00 pledged, was placed in the hands of a special committee.

The Publicity Committee was changed in name to the Educational Committee; $50 was appropriated for its use.

The convention attendants were entertained by the Philadelphia Branch at Philadelphia. There were sight-seeing trips to Carpenter's Hall, Independence Hall, U. S. Mint, Memorial Hall, etc. At Atlantic City there were bathing, sailing, auto, trolley and board-walk parties, etc. At the end of the year the total membership was 1839.

(*To be continued.*)

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

6643 Normal Ave., Chicago, Ill., May 28th, 1910.

To the Stockholders of the American Philatelic Society:—

The Twenty-Fifth Annual Convention of this Society, for the election of directors and the transaction of such business as may be legally brought before it, will be convened at Detroit, state of Michigan, upon Tuesday, the sixteenth day of August, 1910, at 10 o'clock a. m., and upon succeeding days, until all business shall have been disposed of.

I hereby appoint the following gentlemen to serve as the Committee on Credentials: P. M. Wolsieffer of Chicago, Ill., chairman; W. C. Stone of Springfield, Mass.; H. C. Crowell of Cleveland, Ohio; C. F. Heyerman, of Detroit, Mich.; L. C. Hassler, of Louisville, Ky.

The Committee of Arrangements (previously appointed) will stand as follows: Eugene Telfer, A. R. Fernald, Howard C. Beck and C. F. Heyerman, all of Detroit, Mich.

The headquarters of the Convention will be at the Hotel Cadillac; business sessions will be held at the Museum of Fine Arts on Jefferson St.

H. N. MUDGE, President.

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In accordance with Article IX of our By-Laws, the Board of Vice Presidents invite offers from the various philatelic publications concerning the publication of official matter commencing from and after September 1st, 1910, for the ensuing year. All offers must specify the conditions of the contract and in what manner it is proposed to satisfy the present ruling of the post office department concerning the delivery of papers to members. All offers must be in the hands of the Board of Vice Presidents not later than June 10, in order that a synopsis thereof may be printed on the official ballot.

F. R. CORNWALL, Chairman,
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REPORT OF SECRETARY FOR WEEK ENDING MAY 28, 1910.

APPLICATIONS PENDING.

Smith, Emil.	Johnson, Edward J.,Jr.
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Pickens, Eyre L.	McKelvey, A. J.
Ingersoll, Wm. J.	Lifka, Edward.

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As soon as your name has been published as an applicant you will probably have unsolicited selections of stamps sent you on approval. As a great many collectors object to this the Society desires to break the practice up. Please aid us and help protect yourself and others against further imposition, by holding such selections without purchasing therefrom until sufficient funds have been received from the sender to enable you to return the stamps to him by registered mail. Also please report to the Secretary of the Society the name of the dealer sending such unsolicited selections.

Saunders, Oliver F., 410 Forest Ave., Dayton, Ohio; age 38; Clerk Post Office. Reference: Asst. Postmaster, Dayton, Ohio. Proposed by Iver R. Johnson, No. 2049.

Ralsted, H. E. M., 55 Akersgaden, Christiana, Norway; age 49; Supreme Court Advocate. Reference: Supreme Court of Norway. Proposed by L. Harald Kjellstedt, No. 1906.

Chumley, H. H., Box 119, Birmingham, Ala.; age 21; Shipping Clerk. Reference: R. W. Ewing, 1812 3rd Ave. Proposed by I. C. Greene, No. 2676.

Yaremdji, Michael A., Smyrna, Turkey; age 51. Reference: Societe Francaise de Timbrologie. Proposed by L. Harald Kjellstedt, No. 1906.

Sanderson, George, U. S. S. California, San Francisco, Cal.; age 49; Mariner. Reference: B. Schafiro, Real Estate. Proposed by H. W. Doscher, No. 395.

Turner, H. G., Shelbyville, Ky.; age 40; Minister. References: H.G. Poynter; Bank of Shelbyville. Proposed by R. H. Beatty, No. 3171.

Lilienthal, Arthur G., 1807 Gough St., San Francisco, Cal.; age 22; Merchant. References: Wm. Blackwell; Anglo & London Paris National Bank. Proposed by Ross O'Shaughnessy,No.1576.

Hanger, G. Wallace W., The Wyoming, Washington, D. C.; age 44; Chief Statistican U. S. Bureau of Labor. References: Chas. W. Warden; U. S. Trust Co. Proposed by I. C. Greene; No. 2676.

Wilson, Edwin C., 20 Kirby Ave., W., Detroit, Mich.; age 18; Student. References: John Kay; E. O. Brown, 129 Alger Ave. Proposed by C. F. Heyerman. Guaranteed by John Kay,A.P.S.

Ballard, O. L., Room 811, P. O. Dept., Washington, D. C.; age 36; Clerk. References: H. F. Dunkhorst; Dr. N. E. Corbin. Proposed by Chas. R. Morris, No. 2629.

Scofield, A. B., Azusa, Cal.; age 21; Horticulturalist. Reference: L. F. Converse, 801 Wright & Callander Bldg., Los Angeles. Proposed by C. H. Williams, No. 582.

Heller, Leonard G., Hotel St. Francis, San Francisco, Cal.; age 16; Student. References: H. Van Luver; Union Trust Co. Proposed by Ross O'Shaughnessy, No. 1576. Guaranteed by Lippman Sachs.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3787. Hersey, George N., Boston, Mass.
3788. Weaver, H. R., Chicago, Ill.
3789. Stevens, Edw. W., Avmore, Pa.
3790. Coppard, P. A., Oakland, Oregon.
3791. Smith, Ed. L., Butler, Pa.
3792. Lichtenstein, Benj.,Lawrence, L. I., N. Y.

RESIGNATION RECEIVED.

2921. Washburn, H. L., Court House, Houston, Texas.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

3357. Knowlton, I. W., from Beatrice, Neb.,to 516 Temple Court, Denver,Col.
3035. Brown, Geo., from Soloay Lodge to 1432 Sheridan Ave., Detroit, Mich.
2909. Scharschmidt, S. H., from Cleveland, O.,to 1209 Mason St.,Elkhart,Ind.
2910. Scharschmidt, Mrs. S. H., from Cleveland, O., to 1209 Mason St., Elkhart, Ind.
3756. Hosmer, Thos. L., from 200 Walnut St. to 5th & Court Av., Des Moines, Ia.
2375. Baldwin, Geo. L., from Pipestone, Minn., to Box 55, Sioux City, Iowa.
2471. Douglas, J. E., from Columbus, O., to 4502 Russell Ave., Los Angeles, Cal.
2147. Ackerman, H. S., from Brooklyn to 3 Front St., New York, N. Y.
3615. Hobbs, Chas. E., from 23rd Ave. to 953 22nd Ave., Seattle, Wash.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY.

Total membership May 14, 1910,	1912
New stockholders,	6
Total membership May 28, 1910,	1918

H. S. ADAIR, Sec.

DETROIT BRANCH No. 25.

The twentieth regular meeting was held at the home of C. F. Heyerman, May 13th, at 8.30 with President Coolidge presiding. O. S. Hart, Edwin C. Wilson and W. H. Barnum as visitors and twelve members present.

William F. Cornell and Edwin C. Wilson duly elected to membership.

A letter from MEKEEL'S was read in regard to a Detroit number and a committee appointed to attend to the same.

Reports from the local Convention committee were received and all have their matters well in hand.

Meeting adjourned at 9.30.

Mr. Hart exhibited his famous collection of N. Y. 5's and two volumes of his U. S., proving of much interest to all present. An unanimous rising vote of thanks was given Mr. Hart for the pleasure he had given the Society.

Refreshments were then served.

(Continued on preceding page.)

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SOME NOTES ON HAWAIIAN STAMPS.

By HENRY J. CROCKER.

The Manuscript 5c on 13c 1853.

This Provisional Stamp has been recognized by all standard catalogs for many years, but some writers on Hawaiian stamps have cast doubt at various times on its authenticity, as they could find no reason for its existence, or its issuance by the Honolulu post office.

I think the first reference to this surcharge was in *Le Timbrophile* of Dec. 1865, wherein it states:

"An undoubtedly genuine specimen has a place in the fine collection of that distinguished amateur writing under the nom de plume of a 'Parisian Collector.' The copy in question was obtained by its owner from a source leaving the authenticity unimpeachable."

In my work on Hawaiian Numerals, I devoted a chapter to this interesting stamp, and made the statement that Alva K. Clark thought the surcharge occurred during Postmaster Jackson's regime. H. M. Whitney was postmaster from 1851 to 1856, Joseph Jackson from July 1856 to August 1859, and Alva K. Clark from 1859 to 1863.

I came to the conclusion, after taking all information into consideration, that the surcharge was made in 1856-7 and so listed it. I have since received a fine lot of envelopes of this period, the stamps and postmarks showing the approximate date this stamp was issued, and to my mind showing a reason for its necessity.

Envelope No. 1 was used in 1855 and prepaid a letter of over ½ oz. The 5c and 13c Hawaiian are shown in the upper hand corner with a beautiful red "Honolulu U. S. Postage Paid May 11" cancellation. In the upper right hand corner is a 12c black U. S. 1851-6 stamp cancelled at San Francisco, June 20th. The 5c is on thick white paper.

Envelope No. 2 was posted in 1856. In the upper left hand corner is a 12c U. S. 1851-6, and a 5c Hawaiian (thick white paper) cancelled with the San Francisco postmark. The upper right hand corner of the envelope bears the red cancellation "Honolulu U. S. Postage Paid."

The next envelope is most interesting and was posted at the time the shortage of the 5c Hawaiian caused the Provisional stamp to be issued. In the upper right hand corner is the 5c on 13c Provisional, and a 12c U. S. 1851-6 issue, both beautifully cancelled "San Francisco, July 16, 1857." In the upper left hand corner is "Honolulu, June 27th, U. S. Postage Paid" and in the lower left is the postmark of destination, New Haven, Sept. 4th, 1857. This is the most perfect exemplification of this stamp I have ever seen.

Envelope No. 4 was used in 1860 and bears in the upper left hand corner a 12c U. S. 1851-6 and a 5c Hawaiian (thin white wove) beautifully cancelled, "San Francisco, June 11th, 1860," and in the upper right corner the "Honolulu U. S. Postage Paid May 23rd." This is not by any means the earliest date these latter stamps were issued, but I illustrate it to show the same postage rate was in existence all these years, and in no instance was the 13c stamp used other than for its face value except where it was surcharged with the manuscript "5," and was accepted by the post office as being a five cent stamp.

Mr. Jackson ordered the second lot of 5c Hawaiian stamps in 1856-7 and there would seem to be no question that before they arrived the first requisition would be exhausted, and he was forced to make a Provisional by taking the 13c stamp and surcharging it "5" in ink.

The 13c Hawaiian was not used as frequently as the 5c for the Hawaiian post office carried United States stamps on sale for use between the two countries, and there are instances where letters from Hawaii were stamped only with U. S. stamps, the Hawaiian post office collecting their rate in cash, and stamping the letter to that effect.

The first requisition of the 13c stamp lasted until 1864, when Postmaster Kalakaua ordered a second requisition of the 13c and a fourth requisition of the 5c.

Kaluakua, like Jackson, ran short of 5c stamps, and while awaiting the engraved ones from the United States, was forced to have a type set stamp printed in Honolulu.

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Many of the letters are very interesting and there are incidents arising from the publishing of this book which may prove interesting to my readers.

I received one letter which I quote, "I have just come across three plates of the Hawaiian Numerals, if you are interested in them they will be for sale at the best offer," etc.; I answered asking for a chance to inspect the plates and they were forwarded.

The plates of the one cent numeral consisted of two horizontal rows of five each, a solid electro of ten reproductions of one die they all being placed closer together than our U. S. postage stamps. The two cent numeral plate consisted of three horizontal rows of five stamps each and are made up the same as the one cent.

The five cent numeral plate consisted of one horizontal row of five stamps and the plate is made up the same as the preceding two. As will be seen by the illustration in my book, all Hawaiian numerals were type sets and a plate consists of two vertical strips of five each; hence these faked plates proved of little interest to me. I have had, however several stamps printed from these plates submitted to me for my opinion and would advise any person issuing them to cease at once (or the matter will be exposed).

Another experience nearly gave me heart disease for it was almost too good to be true. It came about as follows: Mr. H. M. Whitney was the first Postmaster of the Hawaiian Islands and was the man who issued the rare Missionary stamps. He also designed and had engraved in Boston the 5 cent and 13 cent issued in 1853, on thick white paper: now catalogued at $50 and $18 respectively. In the ordinary course of events his son became the possessor of his estate and amongst other things, of his early correspondence and papers young Whitney made up a bundle of them and sent them to San Francisco for sale; and, his agent knowing of my great interest in these things brought them to me and I soon effected a purchase to be closed on inspection. Glancing through the various envelopes bearing old Hawaiian stamps I found one with no stamp on it but bearing the following inscription "One complete sheet all genuine not to be cut."

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H. M. WHITNEY.

[Seal.] Subscribed and sworn before me this 19th. day of June A. D. 1897.

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I selected the finest and added another magnificent page to my collection. These envelopes were all addressed to H. M. Whitney but in some cases the natives spelled the name H. M. Wini; that being their pronounciation of the name. I then found an envelope endorsed as follows:

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A second look at the missionarys showed me that they were printed in black on thin white paper and I became convinced that I had before me the original proofs of these rare stamps, but a careful comparison with my original copies convinced me that Mr. Whitney had probably received them from some party in early days who desired to get his opinion as to whether they were near enough like the original to stand muster or that they had been made for illustration purposes. To those familiar with the genuine stamps these forgeries could be easily detected but to the inexperienced, they would have proved dangerous. I do not remember of having seen any other copies of these dies except in the Descriptive Catalogue of the Postage Stamps of Hawaii published many years ago.—*Hobbyist.*

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P. M. Wolsieffer has laid before us correspondence with T. Martin, Red Bank, N. J., that looks suspicious. In his request for an approval lot he stated his inability to send reference but made fine promises as to promptness in making returns. Mr. Wolsieffer sent no stamps, but a letter, which was subsequently returned to him with this marking, "Opened by mistake. H. Martin." Mr. Wolsieffer thinks it advisable to sound a word of warning and we are very glad to give space to the above. The whole transaction has elements of "queerness" that dealers will do well to profit by.

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NOTES ON THE LOCALLY ENGRAVED AND LITHOGRAPHED ISSUES OF MAURITIUS, 1848-1859.

A Paper Read Before the Royal Philatelic Society.

By M. P. Castle.

The study of the formation of the locally engraved and printed plates of the first issues of Mauritius has not presented so many difficulties as in the case of analogous productions in other portions of the globe. In the instances of New South Wales and Philippines, for example, the first issues of which were all hand-engraved, hundreds of specimens, each differing in type, are necessary for the reconstruction of the sheets as printed, while in the present case but fifty specimens are requisite to complete the several plates of the engraved stamps. Moreover, the design is very bold, and, particularly in the early stages of the existence of the plates, the differences are so marked as to be capable of ready discernment by any collector. Beyond this there has been, as regards the engraved issues, no complication caused by retouches or partial freshening up of the original designs. The plate of October, 1859, known as the "Large Fillet," was, as is well known, re-engraved on the almost vanished lines of the 2d of 1848, but is to all intents and purposes a fresh engraving.

During his residence in Mauritius, Major E. B. Evans was enabled to gather from official sources practically the complete history of these very interesting stamps, and it is largely due to the energy and philatelic ability of our fellow member that the story of the stamps of Mauritius has been enabled to be presented in such a satisfactory manner. The papers that embodied the result of Major Evans's researches were published in the *Philatelic Record* for 1880 (Vol. II), and were revised and read before the Philatelic Society, London, on May 22 and December 11, 1896, and January 8, 1897. These papers will be found reproduced in the Society's work on the Stamps of the British Colonies in Africa (see Vol. II, pp. 120 to 152). As this work is available to every student of philately, it will hardly be necessary for me to do more than epitomize in the briefest manner the information therein given. The information acquired by Major Evans is, as I have stated, very full and, except in one instance, very precise, and I shall therefore be able to impart but slight additional points of interest as regards the engraved stamps. In the case of the lithographed stamps of December, 1859, the history of these stamps is but briefly given, and there is still something to be learned thereon.

The Native issues—to use their time-honoured cognomen—of Mauritius consisted of the following issues:—

(1.) 1d and 2d. September 2, 1847. Inscribed with the words "Post Office." Engraved by Mr. J. Barnard.
(2.) 1d and 2d. May (?), 1848. Inscribed with the words "Post-paid." Engraved by Mr. J. Barnard.
(3.) 2d March, 1859. Head of Queen, with small fillet. Engraved by Mr. J. Lapirot.
(4.) 2d October, 1859. Head of Queen, with the large fillet. Reengraved on the 1848 2d value by Mr. Sherwin. (The 1d value was prepared but not issued.)
(5.) 1d and 2d. December, 1859. Head of Queen, with Greek border. Lithographed by Mr. Dardenne.

Issue I. Post Office.

The fame of the first issue of these stamps, the celebrated "Post Office," is world-wide, and they undoubtedly stand, if not for actual rarity, by general consent, as the two most important stamps of the British Colonial Empire. Their history is too well known to require restating at my hands: in the society's work on *British Africa* (Vol. II, pp. 152-159) an interesting article is given by Mr. E. D. Bacon, giving an account of them and the number of the copies then known (twenty). Since that period several copies have been found, and, subject to correction, I believe the total number now known to exist is twenty-five or twenty-six. Among these is the superb unused copy of the 2d, sold at auction by Messrs. Puttick and Simpson a few years since, and I am confident that we all rejoice to know that this, the finest specimen in the world of this great rarity, should be in the collection of our honoured President, H. R. H. the Prince of Wales.

My study of the Mauritius stamp has practically been confined to the issues of 1848 to 1859, and, failing the discovery of any little nest of these rarities, or the spontaneous presentation to me of copies by generously-minded brother philatelists, I have been reluctantly—for reasons that I cannot disclose!—been compelled to confine my collection of this issue to photographs of those in the hands of more favoured collectors. I now submit those illustrations that I have been able to get together, and I venture to hope that the Royal Philatelic Society will also be ultimately able to acquire for their collection a complete set of photographs of all the known copies.

Issue II. Post-paid.

These two stamps remained in issue about eleven and a half years, and, as is well known, during this lengthened existence they betrayed the most remarkable divergences in their printings. I do not think there is any parallel case of such long-continued use and absolute deterioration of the plates in the issues of any other country. The nearest approach thereto is in the instance of the 2d Sydney View, but this stamp was only in use about a year and a half, and the successive re-engraved plates had each only a life of a very few months, while the other two values of that issue do not present anything like the wearing out of the plate that is found in the case of the issue of Mauritius now under consideration. The population of that island is of course but small, and the quantities used were, compared with New South Wales, relatively insignificant, which will doubtless go far to account for the long period of the existence of these two plates. My object in taking up the collecting of these stamps was to endeavour to trace out and—to use the modern word—specialize the various successive states of the Plates of this issue, as when I started on their pursuit, some six years since, I did not remember to have ever seen any "highly specialized" collection of these stamps or one wherein the same care had been bestowed as in the case of the stamps of other well-known countries. I have now, however, had the advantage of seeing Mr. H. J. Duveen's superb collection of these issues which has been recently remounted, and forms a pleasing exception to the rule above referred to.

It goes without saying that in dividing up these stamps into their different phases of existence, and the wear of the plates being gradual, there can be no broad line of demarcation, so that one group necessarily leaves off where the next begins. I think, however, for the purpose of the specialist, and even for the general collector, that this issue may be divided up into five periods of existence. The catalogues give but three states of the plate, but nowadays, when so much consideration is devoted to the smallest variation of perforation or the most minute differentiation in a surcharge, I think that even the collector "according to catalogue" may well extend his list of wants to these ten varieties of the 1d and 2d of the first issue of these remarkably interesting stamps.

The design consists practically of three leading features—the Head of the Queen, the inscriptions, and the background, and in all these three there occur, with the use of the plate, consistent deterioration of the dies. I find, however, that the best test of the state of the plate, or the one generally adopted, is that of the presence or absence of the diagonal and vertical lines of the background, and I have therefore divided my specimens in accordance therewith—as follow and as exemplified by the specimens that I submit for your consideration:

State I, 1848-53.
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Background showing portions of vertical and full diagonal lines.

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EDITORIAL.

Long a Puzzle—The discussion regarding the differences between the 24-cent, 1870, National, and the Continental, 1873, United States, that has been revived recently by a correspondent is engaging the attention of many collectors who are perplexed to locate with certainty the elusive points of distinction between the issues. The inquiry as to whether actual, tangible differences exist between the two printings is one that arises periodically and the resulting findings are not without instructive interest. On the last previous occasion when the question was advanced, we wrote to John N. Luff, the highest tribunal on the subject, for judgment and it was not long before we were enabled to present his opinion on the query propounded. It was asked how to distinguish between the two stamps, 24-cent of the National and Continental printings, respectively, particularly in view of the supposition that it was reasonable that there are shades in the colors that were employed by the National and Continental companies, which would complicate the question of distinguishing between the printings by the color contrasts.

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Again—We quote Mr. Luff, making a few minor changes from his words, as previously published; his statement substantially was as follows: "Your correspondent seems to think that there should be more shades in the 24-cent, 1870-73 than we find. He appears to base his expectation on the fact that he does find many shades of other stamps in the series and also in the issues of 1860 to 1866. There were fewer printings and chances for shades in the 24-cent than in the cases of the lower values of the same issue; and in the years, 1860 to '66, the rates of postage were higher than in 1871 to '73 and more printings of the 24-cent denomination were used at that time, and more printings which are productive of shades were necessary. I do not know anything other than the color to distinguish between the two stamps. The stamps were printed from the same plates; we know that a secret mark was placed on the die of the 24-cent Continental but no new plates were made from the altered die. Therefore, there can be no differences of engraving. There might perhaps be some indications of wear, but they are so very slight that I do not think that anyone but professional printers and engravers could detect them."

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The Test—Proceeding to the heart of the subject, Mr. Luff says: "There is no distinctive feature by which the ordinary collector can positively identify the 24-cent 1871 from the 24-cent, 1873. The color, with some assistance from paper and gum, is the only thing. Certainly, there are more than one shade of each of the two issues but in a general way, the shades group themselves. That is to say, in 1871, the 24-cent has much red in the ink, in 1873, it is darker, as if it had a little black. There are slight shades of each of these." It is admitted that the stamp presents a problem to the trained philatelic mind; and it follows that the average investigator has a task that he is almost discouraged to press. Mr. Luff says that there are no type differences between the two issues, only a color distinction, and one not too pronounced at that.

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English Specialist's View—From our English correspondent whose inquiries concerning guide-lines of recent United States issues resulted in illuminating explanations of the varieties through the investigations of Chas. R. Morris, Washington, we have received some interesting observations on the stamps under view, as follows:

"In No. 1011 of the WEEKLY just to hand, I am pleased to read the opinion of the veteran dealer (Mr. Rothfuchs) re the 24c U. S. Continental print 'which cannot be told with a certainty unless one saw it taken from the Continental Co.'s press.'

I have National copies on 3 separate covers in very fine condition as regards colour, and as they are as deep as any, and deeper in colour than the majority of the specimens shown to me by dealers and collectors as Continental I do not think I have a Continental among my little lot of 8 loose copies.

Since I became the possessor of Mr. Luff's book 'Stamps of The U. S.' about a year ago I have been satisfied in my own mind that a very large proportion of the 24c stamps shown as Continental are really National prints. From the schedules in the book I extract the following figures which refer to 24c value only:

Printed and Delivered to Stamp Agent:

1870, May	to	Dec.,	122,000
1871, Jany	to	"	229,450
1872, "	to	"	299,625
1873, "	to	April,	135,975
April	to	Dec., nil.	
1874, Jany	to	Dec. nil.	
1875, "	to	June,	*365,000

Distributed to Postmasters:

July 1870	to	June 1871,	238,000
" 1871	to	" 1872,	278,250
" 1872	to	" 1873,	281,000
" 1873	to	" 1874,	285,375
" 1874	to	" 1875,	271,775

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An Estimate—"In each of the years 1872-3 and 1873-4 there were distributed to Postmasters 280 odd thousand, so it is fair to assume that at least one-half of the distribution of 271,775 was made July to Dec., 1874. This would leave only 136,000 (in round numbers) possible distribution of Continental printing, and it is unlikely that it would be so much, as, for instance, stamps printed Jany 1st or 2nd could not be distributed same day.

From the above figures the daily average distribution 1874-5 would be about 850, so for every day required for manufacture and delivery to Stamp Agent deduct 850 from the above 136,000.

If this be approximately correct, the 24c Continental print would appear to be about six times as scarce as the 10c of 1847, and if $2.50 be a fair price (it is certainly low enough) for a good copy of the latter, the 24c Continental is cheap at present catalogue price if with guarantee,—BUT *can anyone guarantee one*, unless they saw it taken from the Continental Co.'s press?"

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A Claim—Several weeks after we had published the remarks of Mr. Luff, as reproduced on this page, we received from a student in New York City, the following information: "On April 26, 7 A. M., 1906, I discovered a difference in the type of the 24-cent; it appears like a notch in the head, diagonally down, from between the letters a and g of the word 'postage.' However, it is not a notch; the lines in the background, the fourteenth line from the top, makes the break and the fifteenth line is shorter. A very good glass and a very good eye are necessary to see the difference." This gentleman again writes us referring inquirers to his description; he says further that two years ago he sorted the stock of a leading New York firm, classifying the stamps as National and Continental, respectively; he adds that is why the Continental is priced in the catalogue. This gentleman whose address we hold would probably be willing to help our readers for a fee; we hold his address. If there is a type difference in the Continental stamps, the alteration must have been made on the plates. None of the 24-cent that we have examined show this "notch" in an unmistakable way. Our informant says that he found on an average one Continental print to every six National.

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First King George Issues—According to the London newspapers, Canada and Newfoundland will have the "distinction of using the first postage stamps issued for the new reign, King George having approved the half-cent stamp design for the former colony and the five-cent stamp for the latter. Both stamps were ordered to be printed and issued immediately."

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Amalgamation—United South Africa is now a fact as on May 31st, 1910, the British colonies of Cape Colony, Orange River Colony, Natal and the Transvaal were constituted a single dominion by royal proclamation; the negotiations began some time ago were completed at Pretoria where the union became a national entity. It is remarked by the papers that it was just eight years ago on May 31st, that the Boers signed the terms of peace submitted by Great Britain that ended the war.

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The civilization of China is admittedly the oldest in the world, and the Chinese Pagoda, therefore, comes next upon our list; this, however, is only to be found on some Chinese local stamps, the best illustration being upon those of Chungking, 1894.

The next step brings us to ancient Egypt, and, perhaps, the most interesting and wonderful of all subjects portrayed on stamps, the Pyramids and Sphinx, monuments of years of patient toil. Many legends have been invented to account for the existence of these pyramids, one of which was that they were the store-houses which Joseph caused to be built for the storing of the grain which was to tide Egypt over the seven years of famine. We may, however, regard them, in the light of actual evidence, as the tombs of bygone Pharaohs.

The next addition to our collection shows us a bird's eye view of the Acropolis of Athens, crowned by the Parthenon, recalling all the beauty and hero-worship of the Greek mythology.

Recent excavations point to the fact that the temple, of which the ruins now remain standing, is the last of three successive edifices upon the same spot: first the ancient Temple of Athenae, burnt by the Persians in 480 B. C.; secondly, the old Parthenon, or Parthenon of Cimon, begun after the departure of the Persians and never completed; and lastly, the present, or Parthenon of Pericles, built between 454 and 438 B. C., on the foundations of the preceding. In the sixth century the Parthenon was used as a Christian church, and in 1460 the Turks converted it into a mosque, and subsequently in 1687, when besieged by the Venetians, into a powder magazine, an explosion then occurring, cutting the building in two. For an example of Roman architecture, we must take one of the new stamps of Tunis, which gives an excellent illustration of the ruins of Hadrian's Aqueduct; this was a wonderful piece of engineering work, built

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The medieval style is represented by the Castle of Wenden on the stamps of that province, and more importantly by the view of the Kremlin on the 10 kopecs, 1905, of Russia. The Kremlin comprises a collection of buildings, palaces and churches, of which the most important are the palace Teremnoi-Dvoretz (1487), the Cathedral of the Assumption (1474), the Cathedral of the Annunciation, begun in the fourteenth century and rebuilt in 1483; the church of Saint Michael containing the remains of many of the Tsars. The Kremlin did not share the fate of the rest of Moscow, during the fire of 1812, but Napoleon was nevertheless forced to abandon it on account of the great heat caused by the burning of the city.

We may also include here the Montenegrin issue of 1896, showing the monastery near Cettinge, used as a royal mausoleum.

For the Moorish style we have on the 1c, 1906, Tunis, the mosque of Kairouan, and an excellent idea of Arab building is shown by the mosque of Tadjourah on the stamps of French Somali Coast. Perhaps one of the best representations of architecture on stamps is that of the Cathedral of Mexico on the 5 peso of 1899; it is in the Doric style, and surmounted by two fine towers; here lie the remains of Ferdinand Cortez, the conqueror of Mexico, and other Mexican viceroys.

It is naturally impossible in a short article to deal in detail with every building shown on stamps, and this kind of device has become very popular with designers of later years, so that only a few of the most striking and important can be included. One curious example is the little view which looks like a small fort on the 1894 issue of Belgium; it constitutes the arms of Antwerp, and is apparently meant to represent that city.

Very fine examples of modern buildings are shown on the 1900 issue of Germany and 1903 issue of Sweden, giving the General Post Offices of Berlin and Stockholm respectively, whilst some of the stamps of Hayti give an idea of architecture adapted to the tropics.

Guatemala has several architectural stamps showing the Museum, Temple of Minerva, Cathedral, Columbus Theatre, School, and very magnificent artillery barracks, reminding one rather of Somerset House from the Embankment.

Two fine examples of modern work are to be found on the $2 of 1898, and the 5 cents 1901 of United States, the first showing the bridge over the Mississippi at St. Louis, and the second the bridge over Niagara Falls.

Stamps of the British Colonies do not include many pictures of buildings; but in conclusion we may make mention of two, both being somewhat out of the ordinary.

On the new stamps of Brunei is a view on Brunei River, giving an excellent idea of one of the oldest known methods of building known to man, namely, huts built on piles driven into the bed of the river, in the same style as those found on some of the Swiss lakes.

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(At the recent British Congress a paper with the above title was read by Mr. Ward and we are pleased to publish its salient features as being of interest to society members in the United States. Mr. Ward in opening his paper enumerated the benefits to be derived from a union of this nature, laying special stress upon the need for protection against the sale of forgeries and the wiles of unscrupulous dealers. He also contended that a society of this kind would mean a stronger fraternity of stamp collecting interests. We quote that portion of the paper dealing directly with the plan of organization.—Ed.)

Let each philatelic society in the world elect one member as its representative or delegate to the Universal Philatelic Union.

Divide the delegates into sections of a country or nation.

That is, in Great Britain there would be a section of about forty representatives. The delegates of each country would then elect from amongst themselves one or two to be the national corresponding secretary, or secretaries. It would be necessary that both gentlemen should possess the knowledge of at least one standard language other than his native tongue—that is the choice of French, German, English, or Spanish. That would not be a great difficulty amongst philatelists. From among themselves again the national secretaries would elect two gentlemen to take up the position of International Secretary and Assistant International Secretary respectively, who would conduct practically an exchange between the national secretaries of the world.

They would require to be able to correspond in English, French or German.

There will of course be necessity for funds, but I will give particulars shortly of how I propose to provide these.

Each month every national secretary would make a report obtained from information supplied by the various delegates of his country, or in case of necessity—as any dangerous forgeries—the postal tactics of a government—any postal change—dangerous traders—or any matter of philatelic importance—he would make a special report. These reports would be sent to the International Secretary, who would form them up into an international circular letter to all the national secretaries. Of course some means would have to be resolved to check unnecessary information, but that is a detail easily settled. National secretaries would re-hand their international notices to the various delegates to communicate to their societies. Resolutions of international philatelic welfare—as the resolution passed at the First British Congress in relation to the disposal of a deceased member's collection by the society—would become of universal utility.

Some may say rightly that the philatelic press notices such matters, but the various societies seldom take official notice of what appears in the press as having been done by another society. When each and every society has a share in the world's philately among themselves as societies, they will at once become mutual.

I further propose that in the event of my scheme taking form that every philatelist who belongs to a society—and we cannot extend help to those who do not help philately by joining any society—shall have his or her membership card stamped or endorsed with the words "Union Philatelique Universelle" in red—a colour at once distinctive.

At some future date a badge might be resolved upon by international agreement, but for the present the overprint I have mentioned would be quite sufficient to bind every philatelist the world over.

It would indeed be a means of reference could every society come to an arrangement to assure itself of its members, as does the American Philatelic Society. Anyway its social value would be great, both at home, and for those philatelists who have occasion to visit other countries.

Who will be found to provide the expense necessary to properly manage such an office as that of International Secretary?

My suggestion is that it should be self-supporting, and yet the claims so minute as never to be felt individually.

I hold that if each philatelic society of the world pays 5 centimes, or one half-penny, per head of its members per annum that the working funds could be readily assured. I think you will agree with me on a very rough calculation that the very lowest number of collectors belonging to the philatelic societies of the world must be between 100,000 and 200,000.

Many gentlemen essay that the number of society members is nearer 500,000. Anyway my estimate will produce at least $1500.00 or $2000.00 per annum for working expenses of the Union International Secretary, who would only have direct communication with forty or fifty different national secretaries.

Some may think that a great society would object to having only one delegate or representative elected and be on the same footing as a small society. My scheme is not to benefit individuals or individual societies, but philately universally.

As I previously said, this Union will have no power of interference in the business of any society, nor can it undertake to settle differences—its uses will be confined to the matters I have outlined. The society will by paying the large important sum of one-half penny, be doing a service to its members and to philately in general—the hobby I suppose is the cause of its existence. Should any society be so parsimonious—then it can levy its members one-half penny extra above its regular dues.

Of course a fixed rate, or $1 per 100 or part of 100 members, would mean a further additional revenue to the Union.

I have no decided rate to offer. Provided I can find philatelic societies to give my scheme due and proper consideration such details could be worked out to mutual satisfaction by co-operation.

It is of course highly necessary that no possibility of any individual gain shall present itself—other than of course some remuneration for conducting the International Bureau.

The election of one member from every society as a delegate, and the election of a delegate from among his fellows as National Secretary should not present much opportunity for any illegitimate working. All these officials would be subject to a yearly election—but could be reelected. A president and vice presidents could also be elected, but I should propose that no president or vice president could be reelected, or that any country could be represented in the presidency more than once in a cycle of years. Thus no international jealousy or ill-feeling could be promoted.

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—Clippings received from O. Darwin Owen, Raymond Seaman, Alfon J. A. Stark, Russell L. Stultz.

—Geo. W. Linn wishes us to announce that he has been ill since the early part of May and is even now confined to his bed. He states that he will attend to all correpondence just as soon as he is able to do so.

—E. C. Thomas claims to have a 5c on blued paper that has been passed upon favorably by Washington experts.

CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES.

Edited by HENRY A. KIDDER.

Any information regarding new issues will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Address HENRY A. KIDDER, 17 Addison St., Arlington, Mass. Letters calling for a reply should contain a self-addressed, stamped envelope. We cannot give applicants the addresses of our correspondents.

UNITED STATES.—J. M. Bartels sends us the following copy of an official document recently issued by the Postoffice Department:

"Office of the 3rd Asst. P. M. Gen'l,
"WASHINGTON, May 19, 1910.

"Postmasters are notified that the Department is now prepared to furnish 1 cent plain and special request stamped envelopes on what is known as the 'open end' pattern, intended for the mailing of third-class matter.

"In this envelope one of the side flaps instead of the top flap remains unsealed. It is well adapted to the mailing of circulars. The unsealed flap admits of ready examination of contents. The opening is smaller than in envelopes with top flap unsealed, affording less chance of loss of contents in transit.

"The Nos. 5, 6, 8 and 13 stamped envelopes of the several colors are supplied in the open end pattern.

"To secure the new envelopes requisition must be made on Form 3201 for plain and on Form 3202 for special request with the word 'open end' plainly written on the same line.

"A. M. TRAVERS,
"Acting 3rd Asst. P. M. General."

William Norwood, in a recent letter, describes the following freaks and novelties of the current stamps and post cards:

(a) The current 2c carmine stamp in two sizes, 22x25 mm. and 20x25 mm., both unused.

(b) The same stamp, very poorly printed, very few lines of the background being whole.

(c) The 1c McKinley card, previous issue, an unused copy, with the "O" of "One" completely filled in.

(d) The new postal card, with the wreath around the head of McKinley only partly printed.

(e) The current 4c and 5c stamps, imperforate horizontally, and both with wide margins.

E. M. Carpenter has shown us some labels issued as a takeoff on the recent discussion of the claims of the rival North Pole explorers. The stamps resemble the Hudson-Fulton stamps in size and general appearance, and are inscribed "North Pole Post", with the figures of value in large ovals and in words between. The first purports to have a value of "One Tusk" and is inscribed "Peary Land" at the top, and shows a large walrus on an ice floe, with icebergs in the distance. The second is for "Two Bones" and has "Cook Land" at the top, and shows the midnight sun, with an Esquimaux sledge and dogs in the foreground. The third and last of these labels is for "Five Skins" with "Nobody's Land" at the top, and shows two men in furs fastening the American flag to the North Pole, which is badly iced up. The background is formed by the Aurora Borealis. The colors correspond to those of the 1c, 2c and 5c stamps.

ARGENTINE.—Just as we go to press we have received a new stamp of the Argentine Republic, presumably the first of the set previously announced to be issued in honor of the first Centenary of Argentine Independence. The stamp is of large size, about the same as the official set of 1901. The design is a handsome one, the portrait being contained in a large oval in the upper part of the stamp, with "Republica Argentina" in a curved line above, placed directly on the background. The figures of value appear in the upper corners, placed diagonally in pretty, though small, shields. Below the portrait appears the name, "Saavedra" and the dates "1810–1910", on a ribbon crossing a handsome wreath of laurel, which extends part way up each side of the portrait oval. A tablet across the bottom of the stamp has the value in words. The stamp is printed on white paper, watermarked sun with rays and is perforated 11½.

Adhesive.

5c carmine; portrait of Saavedra.

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AUSTRIA.—*Der Philatelist* chronicles a new value in the postage due set.

Postage Due Adhesive.

25h carmine.

Announcement has been made of an intention to issue one or two new sets of stamps Aug. 18, 1910, on the occasion of the Austrian Emperor's 80th birthday. The present designs will be retained, but the new series will bear the dates, "1830–1910". The first series will run from 1 heller to 1 krone, while the second will comprise the values 2k, 5k and 10k.

AZORES. — The *Nederlandsch Tijdschrift* chronicles the following new stationery:

Envelopes.

25r chocolate on buff.
50r blue on buff.

Post Cards.

10r gray green.
10 & 10r gray green.
20r carmine rose.
20 & 20r carmine rose.

Letter Cards.

25r chocolate.
25 & 25r chocolate.
50r blue.

CANADA.—Sydney M. Mulhall submits specimens of the current 2c Canadian stamp on much thicker and heavier paper than previously seen. The 1c on thick paper has been previously noted in No. 1007.

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.—The 4d has been shown us in a new shade, by the New England Stamp Co., the olive color having more of an olive yellow cast than has previously been the case.

GREAT BRITAIN. — Arthur W. Line kindly submits specimens of the new 7d stamp, which were mailed from Birmingham, England, May 11. His correspondent says: "The boys tell me that the stamps enclosed are sure to be scarce, for the new issue had only been out about ten days before the King's death."

Marsh's Circular says that the color of the new 4d stamp is unsatisfactory, owing to the color being likely to be confused with the 1d under artificial light, and therefore it is likely to be soon changed in shade, or into a new color entirely. Possibly the change will not be made until the issue of stamps with head of King George takes place. The first sheets of the new design 2d stamp, to be issued in red violet, were printed April 11. The first sheets of the 7d stamp were printed April 25. They are printed in sheets of 480 stamps, though issued in sheets of 240 stamps.

MEXICO. — The *Nederlandsch Tijdschrift* reports having seen the current 5c and 10c stamps, with the new official overprint.

NICARAGUA.—A. J. Rott, Jr., reports having found the provisional official stamp, Scott's No. 847, with surcharge inverted.

PAPUA.—The following from the *Australian Philatelist* will be of interest as supplementing Mr. Focke's letter in No. 1001:

"We have before us a letter written by the Chief Postmaster from Port Moresby, 24–1–10, as follows: 'With reference to paragraph in your letter *re* new issue, I would inform you that when writing to Mr. Focke, it was expected that the stamps about to be issued would be of one colour only, but when issued they were of two colours, and therefore similar to the old issue. You will therefore see that no new issue has eventuated.'

10 **Northern Nigeria** 1902, ½p violet & g'n .04
11 " 1902, 1p violet & carmine .05
12 " 1902, 2p violet & orange.. .10
13 " 1902, 2½p violet & ultra.. .10
14 " 1902, 5p violet & brown... .20
15 " 1902, 6p violet & purple... .45
16 " 1902, 1sh green & black... .75
17 " 1902, 2sh 6p gr'n & ultra.. 1.60
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"In reply to further enquiries we have received the following official letter:

"'Territory of Papua,
"'The Postal Department,
"'PORT MORESBY, Feb. 21, 1910.

"'Gentlemen,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th January, relative to postage stamps, and to state as follows:—

"'1. Some little time ago the Stamp Printer pointed out that it would be more economical, and would save time, if the stamps of the Territory were printed in one colour, instead of two, and asking that if in future this might be done. This Government intimated that it had no objection, and in ordering the new printing of stamps at present in use it was anticipated that they would be printed in one colour. This, therefore, would have meant a new issue. As a matter of fact, however, the stamps were printed in two colours, the same as before, so that there has been no new issue—nor is any further issue contemplated.

"'2. The question of a new issue is decided by the Lt.-Governor in Council.

"'3. Nothing is known here of the rumour that the Commonwealth issue of stamps overprinted 'Papua' will be used here.

"4. It is not possible to purchase Papuan stamps outside the Territory.

"'I have the honour to be, Gentlemen,
"'Your obedient servant,
"'(Signed) W. H. CHAMPION,
"'Chief Postmaster.

"'Messrs. Fred. Hagen, Ltd.,
"'182, Pitt Street, Sydney.'

"When the order for the last supply was received at the Melbourne Printing Office, it was found that there was not sufficient time to permit of electros being made to produce them in one colour, by the electro-process—consequently it was decided to use the lithographic stones from which the first supply was printed, when it was discovered that the ½d stone had been cleaned off, which necessitated a fresh transfer being secured and placed on another stone. This may account for the word Papua being slightly smaller, but our informant is at a loss to know why it should be, as the word was originally engraved on copper, and the transfer was taken from the same plate. The inking of the rollers may have had something to do with it, and all may not be

alike. We understand that the stamps referred to in the Chief Postmaster's letter of 21.2.10 were the second order. All future printings will, according to present intentions, be from electros, and in one colour. This may be justly termed a new issue. As to when it will appear, will depend upon the action of the Papuan postal authorities.

"The question arises how often are fresh supplies printed, and how frequently are they sent to Port Moresby. On the 15th December a fresh supply was received (the present one), and it is only natural to assume that requisitions would not be sent more frequently than once in six months, if so, it may be six months from 15th December before the new issue in one colour sees the light of day, *i. e.*, 15th June. It may be sooner or perhaps later, but time will tell.

"It is just possible that the 2sh 6d value may not appear in one colour for a long while."

PERSIA. — The *Nederlandsch Tijdschrift* chronicles the following :

Adhesives.

"P.L. Teheran" in black on 2sh, 1907.
"1 Chahi Service Interieur", pale blue on 1k dull red, 1898.
"Colis Postaux" horizontal in violet, on 1sh violet on blue, 1907.
Same, diagonal in black on 9sh, 1908.
" " 1kr, "
" " 2kr, "
" " 3kr, "
" " 5kr, "
" " 10kr, "
" " 20kr, "

QUEENSLAND.—The New England Stamp Co. has now shown us the new 5d stamp chronicled in No. 1006, and we find that it is printed in a very much darker shade, almost black brown.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.— The 4d stamp, long form, has been issued in orange, instead of red orange, a copy having been shown us by the New England Stamp Co.

Adhesive.

4d orange.

The same Company has also shown us the ½d, 1d and 2d stamps, small size, in new shades, though the differences are slight, except in the case of the ½d, which seems to have been retouched.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS. — The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the new 50c, printed in the new color scheme.

Adhesive.

50c black on green.

TRINIDAD.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the ½d and 1d stamps of the 1907 issue, surcharged "Official" in small square Gothic capitals.

VICTORIA.—The 9d has been issued in rose instead of rose brown, according to *Gibbons' Weekly*, the new printing being perforated 12½.

NOTES ON MAURITIUS, 1848-1859.

(Continued from page 207.)

State V, 1859-60 *(early).*

Background showing diagonal lines quite gone in parts, notably bordering on the inscription.

In dividing up the different periods which denote these relative states of wear, I can of course only claim this arrangement as tentative and as being supported as far as possible by dated copies. I have allotted the longest period to State I for the reasons, that the design, being deeply cut, did not for some time show any appreciable wear, and that in the earlier days their use was at first doubtless far more limited than ten or twelve years later. This is abundantly borne out by the relative scarcity of the specimens of the earliest and early states of the dies.

The earliest impressions of all were undoubtedly printed upon a thickish soft yellowish wove paper, similar to that used for the Post Office issue, and not found on any stamps except those in the very earliest state of the die. There are impressions of the twopenny in a very heavy dark slatish blue, which present almost the appearance of a solid background, and show the head and neck of the Queen deeply shaded. These are known among collectors as "premières gravures," and are deservedly classed as very rare stamps, especially unused. I am, however, inclined not to consider these impressions as indicating any earlier stage of printing than those I am showing as State I. If these 2d only were the undoubted first impressions, there should be a corresponding 1d which I have never seen quoted, or described in a collection, and I am inclined to believe that the richness of the impression is practically due to the colour and quantity of the ink used in the process of printing. These dark blue stamps are, however, assuredly as early as any Post-paid, and are very desirable and rare specimens, but I do not think that they can be separated from the other specimen of the first state of the plate except under the designation of "dark blue—heavy impressions." I show one copy almost in this colour which I have compared with the splendid specimens in the collection of Mr. Duveen, and as regards the state of the plate it is absolutely identical with his copies. I may say that I consider the 1d far more difficult to find than the 2d, especially in fine condition, while unused it is of the greatest rarity. Mr. Duveen, it will be remembered, showed at the London Philatelic Exhibition a matchless block of four of the 1d, unused, a photograph of which is shown in my collection.

I should add, in support of what I have said on the question of "earliest state," that it will be seen by stamps shown in a later issue, how very materially the redundancy of ink may affect the apparent state of the wear of the plate. State I of these stamps also, in my view, includes those which immediately followed the preceding, but were printed upon a slightly bluish and harder paper varying in substance. This paper undoubtedly did not absorb the impression so readily as the soft yellowish paper, but, allowing for this, I am of opinion that the specimens practically represent the same entirely undeteriorated state of the plate. A specimen of the 2d on a cover, dated September 1, 1853, in my collection will be found to corroborate the opinions previously expressed.

States II to V are found printed upon similar paper to that last mentioned, ranging in shade from whitish to greyish and bluish, and varying in texture, especially in the later stages, when the paper is found frequently quite thin and more bluish. Specimens in all these stamps may be found on yellowish white paper, though relatively scarce; they, however, in my view, only denote variations in the colour of this presumably locally produced paper, and are of course entirely different from the soft yellowish paper found in the earliest stage.

It will be seen that there are several varieties of obliterations, the latest used being a circle containing the word "PAID," but I do not pretend to have made a special study of this point, although I fully recognize its interest. I should add that pairs of the 2d are always scarce, and that, except the latest stage of the 1d, unused specimens of both values are rarely to be met with. The variations of the types are well known and will be found fully noted over the specimens on the sheets now submitted.

ISSUE III. MARCH, 1859.

This stamp is generally held to be the greatest libel upon her late Majesty Queen Victoria's portrait that has ever been perpetrated, and is, in fact, known to our neighbours across the Channel as the *tête de singe* issue. Mr. Lapirot's work is far inferior to that of Mr. Barnard, and, moreover, the lines are far less deeply cut. The plate hence wore out very rapidly, and, as suggested by Major Evans in his article, it was probably due to an appreciation of this fact that the preceding 2d of 1848 was re-engraved as a stand-by.

As before, I have adopted the background as showing best the dividing stages of wear, which I classify as follows:—

(1.) Design showing full, horizontal, vertical, and diagonal lines.
(2.) All lines partially worn away.
(3.) All lines defective and disclosing spaces that are practically bare.

As regards the paper, it is generally thin and is found in two shades, grey and blue; but specimens may be met with in the former colour that are appreciably thicker in texture.

There are two notable varieties in the plate, i. e. No. 9, which has a circle in the centre of the ornament in the lower left corner (this variety is mentioned in *British Africa*), and No. 8, which has the letter "N" of "PENCE" reversed—i. e. the central stroke slants upwards from the lower left: the outer line of the right-hand corner ornament is also duplicated. A similar variety also occurs in No. 12 as to these lines, but they are more distinct.

The earliest impressions of these stamps are rarer than is generally imagined, while the latest impressions, if with small margins, as is frequently the case, are probably the commonest of the native-printed stamps. I call attention to a pair of these stamps, the left-hand one of which, owing to defective inking, presents the appearance of at least one more stage of wear.

ISSUE IV.

This stamp, known as the large fillet, printed from the plate re-engraved by Mr. Sherwin, was undoubtedly but little used, and was most probably prepared to supplement the preceding plate pending the preparation of the following issue with the Greek border. The stamp has always been rare, nor have I ever seen any specimen with any traces of defect beyond slight imperfections caused by partially inadequate inking. The paper is uniformly of a thinnish, blue nature. The only type varieties are those with the period as described in *British Africa.*

ISSUE V.

"Lithographed locally by Mr. Dardenne upon thick white to yellowish laid paper, the laid lines being horizontal and wide apart." Except a description of the design this is the only information given us in *British Africa,* nor can it be said to err on the side of redundancy. I understand from Major Evans that he was unable to ascertain the size or formation of the sheets, or in fact any further information as to this issue; we shall hence have to supplement our knowledge of this issue by the study of the stamps, and the principal point of these notes is to call attention to the paucity of our knowledge hereon, and to endeavour to indicate on what lines inquiry should be made. One point on which all information is lacking as to this, and indeed all native-produced issues of Mauritius, is the numbers of impressions struck off, and it would be especially interesting with regard to Mr. Dardenne's handiwork to know what was the proportion of 2d to 1d. It was probably ten to one, as the penny is immeasurably rarer in used condition, the reverse being the case as to the unused as regards the normal shades. There is no indication of the number of specimens on each sheet, but I believe it must have been considerable—possibly twenty-four, but more probably twice that number. I have measured ten horizontal pairs and found the measurements between the stamps different in nine cases, while of vertical pairs I have measured seven, six of which differed. I show moreover a vertical strip of four and seven varieties having varying but permanent defects in the lithographs, by aid of which the "types" can be distinguished. Beyond this, owing to defective wiping of the stone at a later period, blots of corroded ink were allowed to remain, and by the aid of these further "type" varieties can be identified. It is therefore fairly evident that there was a considerable number of specimens on each sheet. In default of larger blocks I have been unable to elucidate the matter further than this. The margins are so wide between each stamp that I have not been able to fix upon those most useful aids in reconstructing a plate, i. e. outside stamps. It will require the accumulation of an enormous number of unsevered specimens to prove the formation of the sheet; but other equally difficult tasks have been accomplished in the philatelic world, and now that attention has been called to the fact I am in hope that some future student may accomplish what I have but commenced.

I am enabled however to mention one point that I think is entirely novel, and I am confident will be deemed of philatelic importance and interest as regards this issue, viz., that the plate, or rather stone, has been retouched. I present for inspection two singles and a pair of the twopenny value, which clearly show that the designs have been retouched in two marked variations; and I further show four other specimens having less important—but still, to my mind—unmistakeable retouches. These are all illustrated, being Nos. 1, 1a, 2, 3, 3a, 4, and 5.

No. 1 has white lines at the back of the neck continued to the base and on the right upper side of the head, while the shading of the neck has been redrawn at the back. The first stamp (Illustration 1) shows a large white space at the back of the neck; this, however, apparently is caused by a flaw in the paper. It still leaves, however, visible portions of the white line, the neck shading, and the white stroke upon the head. The illustration does not show these details so clearly as the stamp itself, but there is no doubt but that 1 and 1a represent the same "type" on the stone.

No. 2 has a white line at the back of the neck, marked, but differing from No. 1, as it is not continued to the base of the neck. The shading of coloured lines on the neck has been redrawn in coarse lines.

No. 3 and No. 3a have the nostril redrawn; there are also short vertical white strokes above the back of the neck, and the coloured shading of this has also been apparently touched up.

No. 4 has an irregular faint wavy line extending for about three-quarters of the distance at the back of the neck.

No. 5 has a faint white line extending from the hair to the base of the neck at the back.

There are possibly other varieties of these retouches, but these are all I have been enabled to find despite my most strenuous search for a number of years past. The specimen (Illustration 6) of this value is a defective impression arising doubtless from over-inking of the stone, making the hair and crown into nearly a solid mass of colour. I have not found any retouches of the one penny value, and, as before mentioned, the use of this value was relatively small, and the stones probably did not therefore require any retouching. Illustration No. 7 shows, however, a distinctly defective transfer, the lower left portion of the stamp being cut away. Illustration No. 8 shows a heavy impression somewhat resembling the 2d (No. 6), though not so much inked; the shading on the neck and hair has, however, a very blobby appearance. As to the order of issue I place these stamps thus:—

1d.
(1) blood-red.
(2) rose-red.
(3) vermilion.

Both the former are immeasurably rarer than the latter, and in unused condition are as rare as almost any native-produced stamp.

2d.
(1) slate-blue.
(2) blue, pale to bright.

The slate-blue is far the rarer of the two, and as I have found none with the ink spots or retouches before mentioned, and further, as the design is more clearly and distinctly printed than the normal blue shades, I have no hesitation in assigning it priority of issue. I have never seen it unused.

It will be seen that this lithographed issue affords good ground for philatelic research, and I shall be a grateful recipient of any information from my fellow students which may help us to elucidate what is practically the only unsolved problem in connection with the remarkable issues of stamps engraved, lithographed, and printed in the island of Mauritius—*London Philatelist.*

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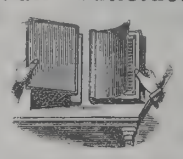

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*63		2d brown and violet	.08	.07
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PHILATELIC NEWS FROM SWEDEN.

By L. HARALD KJELLSTEDT.

Imperforate Stamps.

The Swedish Postal Department has never issued any imperforate stamps, and consequently the imperforates that are known came on the market unintentionally and without the knowledge of the authorities. Some of these imperforates are very scarce and several are real rarities, but heretofore no data have been available as to existing varieties or their relative values. In the April issue of the *S. F. T.* Mr. Harry Wennberg, the prominent Stockholm dealer, furnishes an exceedingly interesting article on this subject, and as no writer on the stamps of Sweden could write with better authority or wider experience, his statements are well worthy of being rendered into other languages, thereby securing a wider circulation.

No imperforate stamps of the issues of 1855 and 1858 are known. It is said that the 12 öre of 1858 exists imperforate but it is difficult to state if it is a real imperforate or only a copy with the perforations *incomplete.* Mr. Wennberg has at present in his stock a 12 öre of 1858 which only is perforated on three sides. It should be observed that the stamps of Sweden are never issued with straight edges like those of our own issues. The imperforate edge on Mr. W.'s copy is very broad, indicating that it is a part of the margin of the sheet and that the marginal row of perforations was accidentally omitted.

The most interesting find of imperforate Swedish stamps was made years ago by the Swedish dealer Brose. He found an imperforate pair of the 30 öre of 1877. This, the only known pair of an imperforate stamp of the older issues, was purchased by Dr. Astley Levin of Stockholm and was included in his collection of Sweden which received the 1st prize, a gold medal, at the London philatelic exhibition. Of single imperforate copies of the 30 öre of 1877 there are probably about 20 in the market and the prices vary from 21 to 27 dollars.

The 20 öre of 1877 occurs with *incomplete* perforations. Apparently imperforate a closer examination will reveal marks from the perforating needles although the paper has not been penetrated. Copies of the 30 öre value are also found in the same condition. These traces of perforations were undoubtedly caused by too many stamp sheets having been put under the perforating machine at the same time. The needles were unable to penetrate the bottom sheets, leaving them either imperforate or incompletely perforated. There is no doubt that many of the imperforate Swedish stamps have originated in that way.

The 6 öre of 1877 also exists imperforate and in connection with this, Mr. Wennberg relates an interesting story. Many years ago there was on Linné str. in Stockholm a little stamp business run by a kind old lady generally called "the white dove." From 1880 to 1890 "great" stamp transactions were closed in this little shop and many a 3sk banco was sold for *25 cents,* although the old lady considered it nearly a sin to charge that much for a postage stamp. Many stamps were left by collectors with "the white dove" for sale and one day a customer found a beautiful imperforate copy of the 6 öre of 1877 priced 3 cents. As he was no specialist he hesitated in taking it but at last made up his mind and bought it. Five years passed and in the meantime the customer mentioned had laid his collection aside. One day the flame began to burn anew and his steps took him to "the white dove." He looked through one book after another. Suddenly his eyes bulged from astonishment. There was his 6 öre imperforated again for sale at 3 cents. How had it come there? He could not remember having either sold it or given it away. He buys it again, comes home, and finds that he now has *two* copies as like each other as two berries. These imperforate 6 öre stamps are now worth $53.00 per copy.

Senf's catalogue lists the 5 and 12 öre of 1877 as existing imperforate, and Mr. Wennberg states that he has seen one imperforate copy of the 12 öre, but has never seen the 5 öre. Of the 1886 issue he has seen one imperforate copy of the 3 öre, one of the 6 öre, and three copies of the 10 öre. All of these are great rarities.

Of the official stamps and the postage due stamps the one krona values are found imperforate. The official one krona stamp sells for about $40, and the postage due for $7. About 100 copies

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of the latter are known. All of the older imperforate postage stamps are absolutely unknown in *unused* condition which proves that their appearance was entirely accidental and in no way connected with speculative motives. For the specialist they will always prove valuable curiosities.

In 1892 or 1893 the 5 öre (dark green) came into the market imperforate and unused to a number of from 200 to 300 copies. Overlooked at the postal supply division they were sent out to one of the post offices in Stockholm. A firm which sent to this office for a few sheets of 5 öre stamps happened to receive these imperforate stamps and—promptly returned them with the statement that they did not have the time to cut them apart. The post office clerk exchanged them for perforated stamps and bought them himself and sold them afterwards to the late Mr. Lichtenstein, a Stockholm dealer. At present these stamps are valued at 6 or 7 dollars each.

About the same time the 1 öre value appeared imperforate. A bank official (and philatelist) in the city of Lund mailed all bank notices with 1 öre stamps and consequently bought a great number of sheets of this value at the post office. One day he found in a lot of sheets just bought, 4 sheets in imperforate condition. These stamps are now selling at from $1.30 to $1.60 each.

In 1900 the first imperforate 10 öre stamps were found. In a lot of about 200 perforated 10 öre sheets received at one of the Stockholm post offices not less than 23 sheets were imperforate. The clerk bought all these sheets himself and sold them to Mr. Wennberg. During several months no other imperforate 10 öre stamps were in existence but suddenly, in the following year, large lots came in the market, selling at from 15 to 25 cents per copy. The postal supply division had blundered again and this time at least 100 sheets must have come out. They were offered for sale by one of the postmasters as well as by the Lichtenstein firm.

The great number of imperforate 10 öre stamps offered in the market looked suspicious to the postal directorate and the secret service was called upon to find out if there was anything wrong going on. It was soon found that the sheets had been sent out unintentionally to various post offices and that the postal department had received their full value. The postmaster, mentioned above, got into trouble because he had himself offered and sold the stamps at his post office at prices exceeding the face value of the stamps.

The color of the first 10 öre imperforates, which came out in 1900, is considerably darker than the color of those which appeared in 1901. It was on account of these imperforate 10 öre stamps that the post department issued a circular in 1901 which states, that any imperforate or erroneously printed stamps which by some means have been, or may be issued after the date of the circular will be considered nonacceptable for franking purposes.

New Stamps Rejected.

The 4 öre value of the new Swedish stamp series has already appeared. The next new value expected is the 10 öre of which the printers, Jacob Bagge's Bank Note Co. of Stockholm, recently submitted 4 proof sheets to the General Postal Directorate. The Directorate has now announced that it is unable to approve the stamps submitted. In order to find out the cause for this action the *Swedish Daily News* interviewed the superintendent of the stamp division and this gentleman furnished some very interesting information.

He stated that there are no remarks to be made against the plates for the new stamps. These plates had been ordered from Vienna by the Postal Directorate and it was hardly possible to conceive of better executed engraving. From these plates other plates are made by galvanic process and it is the latter plates which are used for the printing. For some reason all the fine lines in the original engraving did not appear on the printed sheets and this fact certainly indicated a defect. The fault is nevertheless so slight that it can not be discovered with the naked eye. The use of a magnifying glass is necessary and then it will be seen that a number of the fine lines have failed to print. The General Postal Directorate had not been alone in rendering the rejecting decision but had called in several experts who insisted upon that the fine lines on the original engraving must appear on the finished stamps if the latter should be considered correct.

The Bagge's Bank Note Co. requested permission of the Postal Directorate to have the plates more deeply etched but this request was refused by the Directorate.

An interview with the *general manager of the Bank Note Co.* brought forth that the company had previously pointed out that the engraving on the original plates was altogether too fine. It is made in such a manner that it is simply impossible to obtain impressions on which the finest lines come up. A number of experts had declared that such a fine engraving was simply unsuitable for printing in such large quantities as are required in the case of postage stamps. Besides there were some of the proofs, which accompanied the original plates from Vienna, on which the finer lines had not printed. The jubilee stamps of the Australians, with which naturally great care had been taken, did in some cases show the same defects which now had caused the General Postal Directorate to reject the Swedish proof sheets.

The manager stated that there was no fault connected with the manufacture of the printing plates as the establishment had just installed for this purpose a galvanic department with the most modern machinery. The company had always been the printers of the Swedish postage issues and no complaints had been heard heretofore.

On the inquiry if the original plates for the current issue also had been made in a foreign country, the manager stated that heretofore all postage stamp plates had been made and engraved in Sweden. He could not state for what reason this practice was no longer adhered to.

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At first it was printed in carmine-red and black on thickish paper, perforated 12½, in sheets of twenty-eight stamps. At the beginning of 1909 a fresh printing was used where the paper is thinner, the colour vermilion-red and black, and the perforation 11½.

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A decree of the 16th July, 1894, authorized this Club to use its own stamps for official correspondence, but the first stamps were not used till 1899. For no other apparent reason than as making varieties for stamp collectors—for the stamps are on sale whenever they have been superseded by a new issue—the colours are changed for use on the 1st of July in each year. They are in sheets of thirty. The following are the varieties:—

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The decree authorizing the use of the stamps is dated the 1st July, 1903. The design was designed by or under the direction of a former President of the Society, Senhor Luciano Cordeiro, and they are printed by a private company, the "Lithographia A Editora." They are in sheets of forty-two and perf. 11½. The first stamps were in red, blue, and black, with a background of horizontal red lines. On the 6th of March, 1909, the Society began to use a stamp of the same design, but the red lines are substituted by a solid yellow background.

THE SOCIETY FOR ASSISTING CONSUMPTIVE PATIENTS.

This Society is under the direct patronage of Queen Dona Amelia, who takes a great interest in all charitable work. Two stamps have been prepared for official use, one for letters and the other for printed matter, but although they can be purchased, I cannot discover that they have ever been employed for postal use, so they come under the same category as our own Hospital Stamps.—*London Philatelist.*

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN OBLITERATIONS ON U. S. STAMPS.

The colonial and foreign obliterations which are to be found on the recent postage stamp issues of the United States present, as regards English collectors at least, a practically untilled field in philately.

Until in 1882 the Hawaiian Islands were admitted to the Universal Postal Union, contemporary postage stamps of the United States were kept in stock by the Honolulu Post Office for the purpose of franking correspondence consigned out of the islands themselves, and exist on entires used concurrently with most early issues of Hawaiian postage stamps. Since August 16th, 1898, when these islands were formally annexed to the United States, the issue of separate postage stamps for use there has ceased entirely, and ordinary unsurcharged United States postage stamps are now the only kind obtainable in the group.

United States postage stamps were sold at the American Consulate at Apia, Samoa, previous to the establishment of the German Postal Agency there in September, 1886, for use in franking letters conveyed to America and elsewhere on board of American vessels. They are still current in the islands of the Samoan group which were assigned to the United States at the partition of the group in 1899. All issues subsequent to that date may be found with the postmarks of Pago-Pago and Tau on the islands of Tutuila and Manua respectively.

For many years a postal agency has been maintained in charge of the U. S. Consul-General at Shanghai, in China, at which postal business of every description is transacted. No special issue has been at any time made for this office, and contemporary United States postage stamps without distinguishing mark, excepting their obliteration, have always been in use there. The postmark employed consists of a large single-lined circle, inscribed, in small capitals round the circumference, "United States Postal Sta. Shanghai, China," with the date in the centre.

There is only one post office on the island of Guam, one of the Ladrones group, which was acquired by the United States as a coaling station after the Spanish-American War. It is at Agana, the capital, and since the exhaustion of the special surcharged issue prepared for use in this island, ordinary unsurcharged United States postage stamps have been current there.

There are today 125 post offices making use of United States postage stamps in the territory of Alaska, which was purchased from Russia by the United States Government in 1867.

During the Spanish-American War military post offices were established to deal with the correspondence of the U. S. troops engaged in Cuba, Porto Rico, and the Philippines. The offices in Cuba were attached to the New York Post Office, those in the Philippines to San Francisco, and those in Porto Rico to Washington. The military post offices were abolished about the spring of 1899, and all the post offices is these countries were placed under civic control.

Since 1901, when Cuba was granted a constitution, United States postage stamps have not been available for the prepayment of postage in that island, excepting at the United States naval station at Guantanamo Bay, where there is a post office at the town of Bagley making use of ordinary unsurcharged United States postage stamps.

In the island of Porto Rico, which was captured from Spain, the regular postal issues of the United States without distinguishing overprint have been current since May 1st, 1901, when civil government was established in the island.

The territory purchased by the U. S. Government from Panama in 1904, and known as the Canal Zone, is the only U. S. possession in which ordinary United States postage stamps are not valid for the prepayment of postage.

Previous to October 1st, 1903, unsurcharged United States postage stamps were accepted in prepayment of postage at the post offices in the Philippines, but since that date they are no longer available.

Military post offices using unsurcharged U. S. stamps were established at Pekin, Tientsin, and Tougka, in China, during the military operations in China consequent on the Boxer Rising of 1900. They were in operation from August 2nd of that year to August 1st, 1901, and special cancellations were employed.

United States postage stamps used on Ship Letters may be found with the cancellations of Yokohama, Kobe, Hong-Kong, and a number of other Asiatic seaports, and also with that of St. Thomas, Danish West Indies.

This completes the list of extra-territorial obliterations that are known to the writer. It can without doubt be greatly extended by those in possession of reliable information on the subject, and the publication of the results of further investigations along these lines would, without doubt, be most acceptable to a very large number of philatelists.—*Stamp Lover.*

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—Tuesday, June 7th, Henry J. Crocker's celebrated Hawaiian collection was on exhibition at the offices of the Nassau Stamp Co., Ltd., 231 Broadway, N. Y. City, where it was viewed by over a hundred collectors living in the vicinity.

—In a recent issue we advertised a $3.00 1869 Canada bill in blue and black imperforate. It should have been a $1.00 value and the mistake was no doubt noted by interested parties. It occurred in the advertisement of Dr. L. M. Homburger.

—The Educational Committee of the A. P. S. is sending out a new story by W. D. Burroughs. It deals with the Southern Cross on the 100r Brazil and has a "comet" flavoring.

—John M. Hubbard, whose efforts in the music publishing line have been frequently referred to in the WEEKLY, has just issued a new march dedicated to Frederick E. Small, Grand Master of the grand lodge of the I. O. O. F. of New Hampshire. Mr. Hubbard is the composer as well as the publisher and favors us with a copy.

—We are indebted to C. A. Howes for several back numbers of the WEEKLY needed to complete files.

—Clippings received from Hugo Kuenstler(2), Marcel E. Taller(2), Geo. S. Dates, Jr., Benj. Bryan, Miss Amy L. Swift, E. B. Cookson, W. W. Jewett and Edward Howard.

—As we go to press Iver R. Johnson of the A. P. S. Educational Committee sends us a copy of the latest folder issued, dealing with the colonies of Great Britain in Australia. It is nicely gotten up but further review must be postponed until next issue.

—Clippings are reaching us describing the new style of stamped envelopes now supplied by the P. O. Dept. It is known as the "open end" and Mr. Bartels in his article this week regularly chronicles the same.

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NEWTON, MASS., June 10, 1910.

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Having recently returned from a five months' sojourn in Europe, I find an unfortunate controversy going on between Mr. Kendall of Winnipeg and Mr. Clark of Chetopa, Kansas. Efforts have been made to enlist my sympathies by both parties to the dispute. In my official capacity as president of both the "Metropolitan Philatelic Association" and the "Hobby Club", I feel that I may be considered responsible for the questionable actions of one or both disputants. Only where such actions affect the "M. P. A." —and then only if *proved*—will I accept any responsibility. This statement of my position is made necessary by attempts to draw me into the controversy and to gain my assistance in the collection of certain debts said to be owed by one or other of the disputants. Despite my name, I do not run a "Collection Agency"!!

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EDITORIAL.

On Tour—Henry J. Crocker, San Francisco, one of America's truly great collectors has been making a triumphal tour. When he began his journey east, Mr. Crocker had little thought that what he believed was to be an informal trip would develop into a succession of philatelic festivals. Mr. Crocker told us that when he started from San Francisco his idea was that the trip would be for business combining some philately but it proved to be one for philately with some business. Conditions were innocent enough until he reached Boston and there the philatelic spark blazed forth; a most fitting and effective setting was provided for the display of Mr. Crocker's Hawaiians. The thought of the honors done him at Boston certainly sustained Mr. Crocker until he reached Cleveland, where at the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club, he was the lion of the evening. The Cleveland men, pastmasters in the art of philatelic entertainment, achieved a record in delightful deportment, with Mr. Crocker as guest. At Chicago, H. N. Mudge, President of the American Philatelic Society, Henry Ades Fowler and C. E. Severn, thanks to a telegram from Iver R. Johnson, Chicago, who was at Cleveland on Crocker night, met Mr. Crocker, who had a stay of three hours in Chicago, between trains. On a few hour's notice only a small number of Chicagoans could be brought together. Mr. Crocker regretted that he could not allow the members of the Chicago Philatelic Society in a body to view his collection and it is needless to say that he was not alone in his regrets.

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A Grand Sight—At Chicago, Mr. Crocker's time was limited and as custodian of a party of charming traveling companions, he necessarily had to devote himself to their comfort and pleasure. Mr. Crocker somewhat pleasantly perturbed the delegation of three by saying that he would resign his stamps into their hands so that they might inspect them when and where they elected, while he was otherwise engaged. So, the fortune in stamps was carried through the streets by the three, none of whom had met Mr. Crocker before, to a convenient office where the stamps were viewed at leisure. In this way, the Hawaiian collection and other rarities that were not destroyed by the fire were deliberately gloated over. A good many years ago, Mr. Crocker's Hawaiians were shown at a meeting of the Chicago society but since that time, the collection has been much amplified. Mr. Crocker's highly specialized collection of Japan which was destroyed in the San Francisco catastrophe had been the subject of a "Japanese night" at Chicago some years before its destruction. Mr. Crocker's Hawaiian holdings are unique in their range and richness and they deserve the laudatory notices and distinctive honors that have been lavished on them. They have been admired in Europe as well as this country; and abroad, America's philatelic prestige has been greatly advanced by them.

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His Studies—Mr. Crocker is a keen student of Hawaiians and his recently published monograph, one of the most sumptuous of philatelic productions is a masterpiece. It embodies research of the highest order and will stand as a monument to his close analysis of the puzzling details of the Hawaiian issues of which there are no available official records. Since the appearance of the book, Mr. Crocker's studies have been reflected in the philatelic press and his recent contributions to the sum of knowledge of the stamps will soon be supplemented by information of an important discovery in a later issue of the country. We expect to be enabled to give our readers particulars in good season by the courtesy of Mr. Crocker.

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Precanceled Envelope—A reader has sent for inspection what evidently is a precanceled United States envelope stamp. It is the one-cent wrapper, blue on manila, 1870 issue, canceled by two diagonal lines crossing in the center, printed by rules. The envelope impression is torn from the wrapper irregularly but above the stamp is the printing, "Burlington," and what evidently are the bottom parts of the letters "I" and "O" of Iowa. The history of this precancellation, as it surely must be, would be interesting, as the stamp antedates the one-cent adhesive, 1879, precanceled for use by the Lancaster Watch Company, that has been described in this column. Another reader has shown us the one-cent, 1879, canceled by a large five-pointed star in green, containing fine horizontal lines, printed by press. As the stamp is not on the envelope, it could be accepted only on faith.

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Their Business Boomed—Some figures that convey an idea of the magnitude of the business transacted by the private post companies in New York City in the days when conditions were most favorable to the development of the enterprises is gleaned from statistics that were submitted in 1854 by an investigator and postal reformer who advocated the collection and delivery of letters by carriers at that comparatively early date. The proprietors of the two principal or, at least, most popular posts said that they collected and delivered, or deposited in the city post-office, an average of about 10,000 letters *per diem*, each. One of the posts maintained over two thousand receiving boxes for letters, distributed throughout the city; and employed forty-five carriers. The second post engaged the services of twenty-five carriers and rented 350 boxes at four dollars a year in its private post-office. It was estimated that the numerous posts in New York City were collecting at the time, no fewer than 25,000 letters daily, and that, consequently, in one year, the aggregate number would be 9,125,000. Nearly ten times as many letters were carried by the private posts as were dropped in the New York post-office. The loss to the government of postal revenue in the local carrying business had become so enormous that the startled attention of the authorities was directed to the drain, and though fully aware of the condition, seemingly, they lacked the force to institute methods of aggression that would have removed the private competitors from the field.

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Stamps in Variety—In those distant days, it was the complaint of the citizen that he had to keep on hand a variety of postage stamps even for domestic correspondence. First, he bought the private stamp from the local carrying concern; if he placed a "drop" letter in the post-office, a one-cent stamp was affixed; three cents were charged for passage through the mails for a distance of not over 3,000 miles, and over that, a ten-cent stamp was required for carriage. The rates for foreign postage were complicated almost beyond understanding; in some cases they were really prohibitive, as over a dollar was charged for the half-ounce weight; and in those days, a dollar meant more than it does to-day.

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Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

1910 DIE VARIETIES OF ENVELOPES.

By J. M. BARTELS.

In the issue of May 28th, V. M. Berthold described eleven new dies of the 2c carmine current envelope. The one uniform characteristic of all new dies of the 1c and 2c is the much broader letter S wherever it appears.

Two new dies of the 2c have recently appeared and now four of the 1c are also known. It is improbable that more of the 2c dies will be found though we may not yet have seen the end of the 1c.

Die 9 was incorrectly described, so we will take up this die once more. For the sake of completeness to date several new paper varieties are added to the list.

1c Var. 1. UN widely spaced; C almost circular, nearer line below; T in CENTS and second T in STATES have long top bar; STATES far from outer frame line.
Known: S. 5 White.
S. 13 White(open end).

1c Var. 1. 1 and 0 near; U appears to be above N; T's in upper inscription have short top bar; UN strongly divergent; NI parallel and close.
Known: S. 6 Manila.

1c Var. 3. Lettering heavy; C more closed than in other dies, quite heavily drawn; U and S near 1; STATES nearer outer frame line; NI parallel.
Known: Wrapper.

1c Var. 4. Top of head far from inner oval; C very wide open; CE and NT wide; T above N; TE also wide; nose pointed; U far from 1; second T in STATES has long top bar.
Known: Wrapper.

2c Var. 9. O and C at bottom very wide apart; lower inscription near outer frame line; ST near; T's of STATES have long top bars; ES widely spaced at top.

2c Var. 12. D very far from E at top; OC very far apart; U almost horizontal; final S of STATES far from 2; C elongated; T's in STATES have long top bars; TE in UNITED parallel.
Known: S. 13 White.

2c Var. 13. U extremely near 2; O poorly drawn, too thin at lower right, near W; D poorly shaped; TWO nearer inner oval.
Known: S. 7 White.
S. 7 Blue.

Additional new envelopes: —
2c Var. 1, S. 13 Blue.
2c Var. 8, S. 5 Amber.
2c Var. 10, S. 13 White.

The total number of new envelopes and wrappers described to date is 4 of the 1c and 32 of the 2c. So far with two exceptions (1c Var. 1 and 2c Var. 4) each die has appeared on one size only.

The new 1c open end envelopes have just come to hand. The knives are the same as formerly. The top flap is partly ungummed on the left side and the left flap is entirely ungummed. The idea is evidently to enclose the circular in the regular way and seal it up for mailing. After this is done, the contents can still be inspected as the left side has remained unsealed.

We have so far seen the following: —
1c die A, size 5, white, knife 81.
1c die A, size 6, manila, knife 81, (watermark '07B).
1c die A, size 8, white.
1c new die, var. 1, size 13, white.

NEW ZEALAND NOTES.

By IRWIN FARIS.

"DUNEDIN" PERFS.

The *Philatelic Journal of Great Britain,* in commenting upon my statement that I hold a 2d blue full-face apparently perforated in part by the "13" machine and in part by the "12½" machine, expresses the fear that I have discovered "a mare's nest."

I never pose as an oracle, but merely record such facts (or seeming facts) as come under my notice, adding my personal opinions and theories in connection therewith. The latter may or may not be based on correct premises, and may or may not coincide with those of other collectors; but as Philately is not an "exact science" (I have heard it referred to in much less complimentary terms!) it is only by the free and bold expression and discussion of theories and opinions that we, its devotees, can hope to arrive at a common understanding of its more intricate details. With regard to the statement under review, I believe the fact to be as stated, and see no reason to alter my opinion regarding the cause.

I hold a 2d blue, Star, full-face apparently partly perforated 13 and partly 12½, or (to be a little more precise than previously) perforated 12½ on three sides and 13 on the other; the latter being smaller and more clearly cut than the former. It appears reasonable to assume that the two different chines, and that the two machines were the "Dunedin 13" and "Official 12½" seeing that no others existed within the Colony.

My reviewer says: "To have one of these stamps with compound perforations would mean that some partly perforated sheets were sent from Dunedin to Auckland and perforated by an out of date machine, a most unlikely contingency."

It is, indeed, most unlikely that stamps, whether partly or wholly imperf., would be (officially) sent from Dunedin to Auckland, seeing that Auckland was (until Oct. 1864) the Capital (seat of Government) of the Colony, and was (from 1856 to early in 1865) the centre at which N. Z. stamps were printed (at office of Postmaster-General) and from which other centres (including Dunedin) drew their supplies.

It does not, however, follow that a sheet partly perf. 13 must of necessity have been "sent to Auckland" in order that the imperf. rows should be perforated 12½, because the 12½ machine was there only six or nine months and was then (early in 1865) removed to Wellington, the new seat of Government from Oct. 1864. Consequently, if 12½ perfs. had been for any reason specially desired (a contingency too remote for serious consideration), the sheet could have been sent to Wellington after arrival of 12½ machine there.

But why should the Postmaster at Dunedin have troubled to send partly perf. sheets to either Auckland or Wellington for further perforation when the missing rows could have been inserted by the 13 machine almost at his door?

My reviewer speaks of the 12½ machine at Auckland as "out of date"; whereas it was the new machine, just installed; the first official machine in the colony which did not start work until one and a half or two years after the Dunedin 13 machine, and continued to work for years after the latter ceased.

From various sources and authorities I glean the following upon which my opinion and remarks are based:—

1. New Zealand became a separate Colony from New South Wales May 3rd, 1841.

2. New Zealand stamps were first issued July, 1855. These were English prints.

3. From 1856 to early in 1865 stamps were printed at Auckland and supplied to all centres (including Dunedin) from there.

4. These were, until about June, 1864, imperf. when forwarded from Auckland.

5. From end of 1862 or beginning of 1863 until latter half of 1864 imperf. sheets (and probably partly perf. sheets also) were, upon arrival at Dunedin, handed by the Postmaster to a private firm of printers (Fergusson and Mitchell) and by them perforated on their private machine which gauged 13 (full) and gave a *small, clean-cut* perf.

6. About June, 1864, the first official machine was installed at Auckland. It gauged 12½-12¾ clean, *large* holes. It was about end of 1866 re-fitted, and gave 12½-13 *small* holes, but very *rough* perfs. It was later on (about 1869) again re-fitted and gave 12½ *large* irregular holes. Dates are of course approximate, and are those quoted by various investigators.

7. The "12½" machine was, early in 1865, transferred from Auckland to Wellington.

8. The use of Dunedin 13 machine ceased about the end of 1864, presumably because all incoming supplies (from Auckland) were perforated, and previous supplies (imperf.) had by then been perforated at Dunedin.

Finally, I believe as follows:—

That the stamp I hold was one of a sheet partly perforated 12½ at Auckland (during latter half of 1864) in which a line (or lines) was missing when received at Dunedin, and that at Dunedin the omission was rectified by insertion of a line (or lines) of 13 perf. If more than one line of 13 imperf. was inserted, only one of them affected my specimen.

OFFICIAL STAMP *(Stanley Gibbons, type 81.)*

Probably many collectors beyond the Dominion are unaware that the letters "P. A. S. D." in the corners have a special reference to the issuing department. They are initial letters and represent "Printing And Stationery Department." The two stamps, S. G. types 81 and 82, were the only *adhesive* official stamps issued prior to 1907 (S. G. type 83), the "O. P. S. O." issues (S. G. 630/642B), being hardly such. The latter were not used within the Dominion, but only for over-sea correspondence, and almost exclusively by the Postmaster-General and the Heads of the Postal Department. They bore hand-printed impressions of the letters "O. P. S. O." signifying "On Public Service Only" the usual inscription found on all Departmental envelopes, etc. The latter has now been altered to "On His Majesty's Service."

I am unable to state definitely, but believe that the "O. P. S. O." stamps are not now used, having been superseded by the "Official" overprints.

Several forms of Departmental "square cuts" similar to types S. G.. 81 and 82 exist, but none were adhesive stamps, but imprints on envelopes or wrappers, or on adhesive address-labels. I shall send a set for illustration later on.

CLEAN-CUT AND ROUGH PERFS.

I mentioned in a previous note that it was noticeable that whereas some of the sheets of 1d current have very clean-cut perfs., others are rough cut. This also occurs in the ½d current. On looking over a bundle of sheets of 1d recently I found that the rough perfs. occurred on every alternate sheet. It is evident that both clean and rough are from the same machine, the difference being probably due to the perforation of two sheets at once instead of each singly; the uppermost sheet getting clean-cuts and lower sheets rough cuts.

AUTOMATIC FRANKING MACHINES.

Some collectors beyond this Dominion may have been puzzled to find on letters from New Zealand ordinary postage stamps affixed above (and covering) automatic franks; and wondered why both were necessary. They were not. The explanation being that these franks were not available for over-sea postage; therefore when letters bearing such were found in the Post, the Postal Officials placed over each frank its equivalent in ordinary adhesive stamps. The department of course recovered the value of the stamps in the form of the payments for the franks. The franks are, I understand, now being accepted, the system being under trial for a time.

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It is time that you did a little thinking Mr. Collector. I have been harping on this subject of a square deal for two years now, and while I have gained a good trade I want more. I would not keep it up so long if I was not sincere.

Have 1000 packets to be ready July 1st. Now stop squeezing that 12c and send for at least one. You won't regret it. Fifty of these packets have already been ordered. Don't get left. *
F. P. BUTMAN, Wakefield, Mass.

Unused Postal Cards, 1910.
Azores, 4 var., 25c; Bavaria, 4 var., 20c; Crete, 3 var., 20c; Russia, 3 var., 15c. Descriptive list of U. S. Cards, 10c. *
S. SCHACHNE, Chillicothe, O.

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Mr. Roosevelt has one and there is one in the Library of Congress, Washington. They are guaranteed genuine and original, and are rare. What? Why, Ballots cast for Jeff Davis in 1861. I will send you one for $1.00 greenback. Postage and registration (if desired) extra. Each one is signed on back by voter who cast it. Address A. W. DUNNING, Newton, Mass. [tf*

Mexico Postage Stamps: 1000 fine asst., cat. $23.00, only $1.00; 1899, 1c to 20c, 7 var., 100 sets, $2.00. Postfree registered. Remit in Post Office Money Order. FELIPE NAVEDA, 44 Villada Av., Toluca City, Mexico.

Big Packet of stamps including Japan, Peru, Portugal, etc., all different, for only 8c. CHAS. WRIGHT, Willow Jct., Iowa.

13c sea green 1909 for 16c, 10 or more at 15c each. Stamps accepted. K. W. MacDONALD, 1302 Fannin St., this City.

Exchange Mixture, 1000 for 50c, is selling fast. Friends who bought second 1000 kindly order promptly if another 1000 is desired. T. A. HAYWARD, 10 Block X, Pueblo, Colo. [16*

We'll pay 1c each per stamp, over face, for unused current perforated 1, 2, 3 and 4c U. S. stamps, in blks. of 6 with imprint and plate number, of any plate numbers below No. 4950, in any quantity, duplicating permitted. FEDERAL STAMP CO., Ltd., Astoria, Oregon. [16*

*Crete, Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, o. g., 18c. [17
XXX STAMP CO., 8 Myrtle St., Malden, Mass.

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Johore, 3 on 5, 1894	No. 27,	cat. price	.30,	our pr. .08
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Guatemala, 6c 1910,		"	.06,	" .02
Cuba, 2c 1910,		"	.04,	" .01
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PACIFIC STAMP CO., San Francisco, Cal. [17*

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Wanted—Precanceled Stamps! Would like to buy two or three old collections. Will pay good price for good stamps. H. S. WILLIAMS, 2170 E. 90th St., Cleveland, Ohio. [3d wk*

Imperf. Alaska-Yukon, 5% over face. Post. ex. F.E.Farnham, 4160 Lake Av., Chicago. A.P.S. 2990.*

CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES.

Edited by HENRY A. KIDDER.

Any information regarding new issues will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Address HENRY A. KIDDER, 17 Addison St., Arlington, Mass. Letters calling for a reply should contain a self-addressed, stamped envelope. We cannot give applicants the addresses of our correspondents.

UNITED STATES.—W. D. Grout writes: "Referring to the Barker City Post Label, I beg to state that Barker succeeded Cheever & Towle of Boston but he used only a hand stamp. I glean the above information from Coster's work on U. S. Locals from which I quote: 'I wish to make allusion to a number of fantastical things due to the counterfeiters, who not satisfied with swindling the public with 'reproductions' (as they call them) have exercised their ingenuity by producing labels purporting to have emanated from companies which in reality had for the most part not even an existence, or in a few instances where they did exist, never issued any stamp whatever.' As the Barker City Post is particularly referred to after the above article I think it is clear that the label found by Mr. Stam is one of the productions above referred to."

J. H. Houston sends us specimens of the Pan American and 1902 2c stamps, showing wide differences in the shades of carmine. The specimens of the Pan American submitted show especially strong differences, one being almost a vermilion, while the other is a very deep carmine.

Miss Amy L. Swift writes: "In connection with the 'discoveries' of Columbian issue varieties, as mentioned in your notes for the current WEEKLY, permit me to state that the defects noted are very old history, many having been described in our publications while the issue was in use. The one with broken line at outside right lower corner was among the varieties thus mentioned, and a specimen has been in my album over since. It is very common, for every 100 will generally yield a dozen or more. The 'Barker's City Post' is not likely to take rank as a rarity with the P. O. Mauritius! I think our old friend, S. Allan Taylor, could relate its biography if he *were willing!*"

E. F. Coffin writes: "Referring to the label which you mention in the current issue of MEKEEL'S, marked 'Barker's City Post', I take the liberty of submitting the following facts which may throw some light upon the subject. In Coster's catalogue of U. S. Locals appears this paragraph among an enumeration of nongenuine varieties: 'Barker's City Post. Barker succeeded Cheever & Towle in Boston but he used only a handstamp.' Also this significant paragraph in another portion of the same work: 'Boston does not appear to have been the home of many genuine locals though of the counterfeit article it has furnished its full complement.' I think it may be reasonably inferred that the label sent for your inspection is related to the local post above mentioned and that the presumption is against its being entitled to recognition as a genuine local unless facts can be adduced to create that belief."

ARGENTINE.—Just too late for the last number, Hermann Focke kindly sent us nine more values of the new Argentine set, the 5c value of which was noted last week. As noted last week, the 5c was an upright stamp of large size, 20x32mm., but all the other values we have seen, with the exception of the 50c are horizontal oblong in shape, though the size is the same as the 5c. The 50c is upright, and in two colors, and the latter is true of all except the 3c, 5c, 12c and 1 peso. With one exception, the stamps present the portraits of Argentinian worthies, or reproduce scenes of historical interest in that country. The 12c gives a picture of an imposing public building, with a large dome, but the specimen we have is so heavily cancelled that we are unable to read the inscription. All the horizontal oblong stamps have the figures and words of value at the bottom, with "Republica Argentina" in a curved line at the top, and the dates, "1810—1910", in the upper corners or at the ends. Five of the stamps have double portraits, like the Quebec Tercentenary stamps. The 5c and the 50c have the figures of value in the upper corners, with dates at the bottom. These stamps are to be current for several months, to the exclusion of the stamps previously current. The new set is a decided improvement over the San Martin set which it displaces, temporarily, at least. By the way, the credit for showing us the first value of the new set should have been given to Mr. Focke last week. We are also indebted to the Scott Stamp & Coin Co., for information regarding the new set.

Adhesives.

2c olive and black; Salon of Rodriguez Pena.
3c yellow green; Azcuenaga and Alberti.
5c carmine; Saavedra.
10c yellow brown and black; "Beruti y French Repartiendo Divisas".
12c blue; Treasury building.
20c dark brown and black Castelli and Matheu.
24c red brown and dark blue; "Cabildo Abierto".
30c violet and black: Belgrano and Larrea.
50c rose carmine and black; "el 25 de Mayo de 1810".
1p blue; Moreno and Paso.

Philip Wolff reports the ½c and 1c stamps, but as we have not seen them we can give very little information about them except as below. Probably the 1c is in the style of the 20c and 30c values, while the ½c is probably an upright oblong, as it shows a monument.

Adhesives.

½c blue and slate blue; monument.
1c green and black; Rodriguez Pena and Vieytes.

BAVARIA.—The cards 5pf and 10pf with their doubles and the letter card dated for 1910 are reported by Mr. Schachne. No change except date.

BERMUDA.—The first of the new "Hog Money" stamps has appeared, a copy of the ½d value having been shown us by the New England Stamp Co. Though rather florid as to ornamental work in the frame, there are few inscriptions, and the picture of the galleon is a spirited one. The vessel is sailing towards the West, with all sails spread, the picture being contained in a large oval, surmounted by a curved tablet containing "Bermuda" in colorless letters on a colored ground. At the bottom an irregular shaped tablet breaks into the oval and has "½d" in color on a white ground. Conventional ornaments, plentifully bestowed, make up the balance of the frame.

Adhesive.

½d green.

DUTCH INDIES.—Hermann Focke sends us a pair of the 15c brown Dutch Indies, surcharged with two horizontal lines in black. This is an error, so to speak, as the stamp should have the surcharge "Java", which for some reason is missing. In 1909 when the stamps of Dutch Indies were surcharged "Java" and "Buiten Bezit", the 15c value was surcharged in addition with two lines, in order to distinguish it from the 50c value printed in a very similar color. The pair shown us has only the lines and is consequently an error which deserves listing. Mr. Focke has the ½c, 1c, 2c, 5c, 10c, 12½c and 25c values with surcharge "Java" inverted at top of stamp.

ERITREA.—*Champion's Bulletin* chronicles the first of the long promised pictorial set for this Colony. The stamp is a horizontal oblong like the current Hayti or the peso values of Paraguay, and shows a picture of the Government Palace at Massaua. We are not able to give a very good description from the picture in the *Bulletin*, but the salient features, outside of the picture, are two large sitting figures at each side, the royal cross and crown at the top, with "Regno D'Italia" above the picture, with "Colonia Eritrea" and "Poste" below, and the value, "25 cent.", in the lower corners.

Adhesive.

25c blue.

HAYTI.—The Frank P. Brown Co. has shown us the first values of a new set, the designs being the same as the 1906 set, except that the portrait of A. T. Simon replaces that of Nord Alexis, and the colors are changed, all being in two colors with the centres. The 1c is "Centime de Gourde", the others being "Centimes de Piastre". Below the portrait appears "A. T. Simon, 1909."

Adhesives.

1c de g lake and black.
2c de p vermilion and black.
5c de p blue and black.
20c de p yellow green and black.

PERSIA.—*Champion's Bulletin* reports that the 2k blue stamp of 1902–04 has been surcharged "Douanes" in two styles, for use as official stamps.

QUEENSLAND.—George S. Chapman has shown us the 1d of 1896, on which the tail of the "Q" has been carried upward and curved over to the left, until it is nearly twice its normal length.

RUSSIA.—New cards have been received by Mr. Schachne, but the change is only in the headline of two words, which on the former issue began and ended with an "O". These begin with a letter similar to "N" and end with "A".

Post Cards.

3k carmine on pale buff.
3 & 3k carmine on pale buff; T3.
4k carmine on pale buff.

20th Century!

Sierra Leone 5sh, CA	$4.20
Western Australia 5sh, A	1.60
Turks Island 3d on yellow multiple	.18
Transvaal Dues, set 1907	.85
Straits $2.00, single CA	3.20
Somaliland 1904, 5r	2.20
St. Vincent 5sh, single	1.90
Japan 5 and 10 yen used, 2 for	5.25

ALSO

British Central Africa 1896, 1, 5, 25 pound "Specimen".

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10	Southern Nigeria	1902, ½p green & blk.	.10
11	"	1902, 1p rose & black	.08
12	"	1902, 2p brown & black	.30
20	"	1902, 2½p ultra. & black	.75
13	"	1902, 4p green & black	.20
14	"	1902, 6p violet & black	.45
15	"	1902, 1sh black & green	1.00
16	"	1902, 2sh 6p br'n & black	2.00
18	"	1902, 10sh violet & yell	3.50

All unused. Send for my list of King's Heads single watermark before my prices jump.
CHAS. S. OSGOOD, SALEM, MASS.

Specials for This Week

244	Belgium 1902, 3fr blk. & ult	$0.06
356	Ecuador 1897, 1c on 5c, pale blue, black surcharge	.09
358	4c on 20c dark blue, red sucharge	.02
359	10c gray	.02
361	1s orange	.03
	5s brown	.07
	10s vermilion	.11
	10c on 50c lilac	.07
	Nicaragua, Nos. 843 to 851	.52
	832 to 842, 7 varieties	1.32

E. T. PARKER, BETHLEHEM, PA.

GETTING READY FOR DETROIT.

The following have signified their intention to attend the Detroit convention of the A. P. S., which convenes August 16th, 1910:

H. N. Mudge, Chicago.
C. E. Severn, Chicago.
P. M. Wolsieffer, Chicago.
Henry Ades Fowler, Chicago.
Hugh Clark, Chicago.
E. M. Rosenthal, Chicago.
Fred Michael, Chicago.
C. T. Rogers, Chicago.
Iver R. Johnson, Chicago.
C. Staub, Chicago.
R. E. Baldwin, Chicago.
Ben Green, Chicago.
H. L. Lindquist, Chicago.
L. C. Whittaker and wife.
F. E. Farnham and wife.

WE HAVE SEEN WORSE.

CHICAGO, June 9—[Editor of *The Tribune*.] Is it not time our postoffice department withdrew its present 1 cent postal card pattern? I will not call it a design. Stamp collectors will confirm the opinion that it is easily the worst postal card now issued by any government. The oval picture of an eagle under thirteen stars at the left would make a wretchedly poor label for a beer bottle. If the United States bureau of engraving and printing cannot beat this had it not better go back to the old Benjamin Franklin profile?—ALFRED EMERSON.

AMERICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY—*Continued from Page 220.*

APPLICATION FOR REINSTATEMENT.

797. Rood, P. E., Station F, Toledo, Ohio; age legal; Stamp Dealer. Proposed by R. H. Beatty, No. 3171.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

3674. Brewster, J. N. S., Jr., from Lakewood to Box 6, Bayhead, N. J.
2167. Aldrich, W. S., from New York to Box 158, St. Joseph, Mo.
3715. McDonnell, F. C., from Lakewood, to Box 97, Cedarhurst, N. J.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY.

Total membership June 11, 1910,	1929
New stockholders,	5
Total membership June 18, 1910,	1934

H. S. ADAIR, Sec.

MONTHLY INTERIM REPORT OF THE SALES SUPT., JUNE 1, 1910.

To the Members of the A. P. S.:

We beg to submit the interim report of the Sales Department as of June 1st, 1910, as follows:

2754	books in circulation April 1st, priced at		$53,687.18
132	"	received in April priced at	2,128.75
203	"	received in May priced at	3,935.16
3089	"	priced at	59,751.09
323	"	retired in April and May (sales $1294.75)	7,236.16
2766	"	priced at	52,514.93
10	"	lost, Sanborn circuit, settled for from insurance fund,	288.91
2756	"	in circulation June 1st priced at	$52,226.02

Cash Report June 1st, 2910.

Cash on hand April 1st,	$4,197.21
" rec'd in April,	852.10
" " May,	755.80
	5,805.11
323 books retired to owners,	1,294,73
Cash on hand this report,	$4,510.38

The sales through Branch managers up to June 1st have been as follows:

1	J. W. Haseltine, Philadelphia, Pa.,	$1091.23
2	Don R. Bennett, Detroit, Mich.,	603.28
3	Charles R. Morris, Washington, D. C.,	563.26
4	L. A. Van Toor, Milwaukee, Wis.,	352.92
5	John F. Rust & H. C. Crowell, Cleveland,	278.21
6	W. C. Emery, Springfield, Mass.,	244.96
7	T. C. Mann, St. Louis, Mo.,	139.32
8	George B. Graham, Buffalo, N. Y.,	109.04
9	A. W. Dunning & J. H. Lyons, Boston,	107.01
10	George W. Linn, Columbus, O.,	98.76
11	Ross O'Shaughnessy, San Fran., Cal.,	90.06
12	W. O. Staab, Milwaukee, Wis.,	62.78
13	Fred Doughty, Saginaw, Mich.,	42.19
14	Max Wenzel, Pittsburg, Pa.,	41.13
15	E. J. Crawford, Fresno, Calif.,	32.20
16	Harrie Mueller, Wichita, Kansas,	30.79

We desire again to call the special attention of members to the splendid line of stamps now circulating in the Sales Department and to suggest that all those who are not receiving circuits make application to the Superintendent to be placed upon the circuit. Prices are very reasonable, and the selection of stamps sent out is larger and better than that which the average dealer sends. By reference to the above report, it will be seen that there are 2756 books in circulation priced at $52,226.02. This represents a catalogue valuation of over $100,000 and covers a wide range of stamps both as to country and as to price.

We have already begun work upon our annual report, which will be made July 1st, and we should be very glad to note any special activity in purchases during the current month.

Respectfully submitted,
PERCIVAL PARRISH, Sales Supt.

Approved for publication:
F. R. CORNWALL, Chmn. Board V. P.
CHESTER MYERS, Clerk.

REPORT OF COUNTERFEIT DETECTOR.

BOSTON, May 28, 1910.

Cuba.—A number of forged surcharges of the 1903 1c on 3c purple have been submitted for examination from different sources during the past two weeks.

These are: Double surcharge, one of which is forged, the other genuine; Forged inverted surcharge; Forged misplaced surcharge.

Collectors should be exceedingly cautious in accepting specimens of these varieties without having them carefully examined. Most of the specimens seen are used, without legible date.

Respectfully submitted,
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BOSTON, MASS., June 18, 1910.

The 228th (regular) meeting of the Society will be held at the Club Room on Tuesday evening, June 21st, at 7.30 o'clock.

The entertainment will consist of a competitive exhibition in two classes, *(a)* Commemorative Stamps of all Countries, *(b)* Foreign Post Cards, Letter Sheets and Wrappers. This will give opportunity to some of those who collect "side lines", and it is hoped that a number will be found to make entries. Remember that even if *you* do not get a ribbon you may help the *other fellow* to get one! And then additional exhibits make it much more entertaining for those present.

The following applications will be voted on:—F. C. Koehnle, Thos. B. Stillman, Edward F. Coffin, Alfred C. Sampson and Willard B. Savary.

This is the last regular meeting of the season; come and make it a big one!

Those remaining in town will meet as usual at the Crawford Café, 13 Brattle St., for supper at 6 o'clock.

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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., June 3, 1910.

We beg to announce the resignation of G. C. Cuenod of Galveston, Texas, as Exchange Superintendent and the appointment in his place of A. A. Hyde, 1030 East Lamar St., Sherman, Texas. Mr. Hyde is connected with the Washington Iron Works, where he holds a responsible position, and is a colleector and dealer of stamps of long standing. He is highly qualified for his new office and all members are requested to participate in his department. If you have no stamps to sell, you can at least be placed on the buying list.

Mr. Cuenod has consented to retain his position as Secretary-Treasurer, re-elected, in which he proved himself a most popular and capable official.

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OUR BOOK REVIEW.

Bulgaria, by Bertram W. H. Poole, published by D. Field, 4 Royal Arcade, London, Eng. This is No. 5 of the series of philatelic hand books reprinted from the *West End Philatelist*. Mr. Poole has dealt with a difficult country in a very able manner, putting into concise shape a great deal of information about the stamps of Bulgaria. It is well worth the price asked, 12c, and is published in the form that will make it very acceptable to the library of any philatelist.

NEW ZEALAND NOTES. — *Continued from page 217.*

PENNY-IN-THE-SLOT MACHINES.

A new machine is at present working at the G. P. O. Wellington. I have not yet seen any of its issues so cannot give particulars but hope to do so in next notes and send some copies for illustration. It is called the "Dickie machine," and is considered a success. A Post Card machine is also in trial and is likewise considered successful.

"OFFICIAL."

The 1d is now issued in form of booklet, overprinted on dotted die, issue of 1904 (Stanley Gibbons No. 303) with two varieties, viz., feet of figure to foot of page, and head of figure to foot of page; stamps are perf. all round excepting at foot of page, thus giving two stamps on each page imperf. at either head or foot.

OVERPRINTED ON "DOMINION" TYPE.

The "Official" overprint has now been applied to the 1d stamp of the "Dominion" type.

HEAVY POSTMARKS.

In connection with used stamps, it is noticeable to all who handle many, that of late the Postal obliterations have been much heavier than those of a few years ago. Not 5 per cent. of the stamps I handle may be termed "lightly marked," whilst a very large proportion is rendered useless for collection purposes, which, by preventing copies from becoming common and cheap, may be a blessing in deep disguise.

The ½d and 1d copies (which few want) being usually on letters and newspapers do not receive such severe treatment, especially such (on letters only) as pass through machine obliterators, but the higher values being used on book-packets, parcels, or on tags attached to the foregoing, present either a soft, yielding body into which the steel date-stamp sinks, or in which it slips about smearing the stamps, or a hard, unyielding body upon which the date-stamp gets full play, leaving a bounteous supply of ink and probably cutting into the stamp.

Yet even now, matters in this respect are not as bad, philatelically, as they were in "the good old days," say 18 to 25 years ago, and before then, when "obliterators" were in use in addition to date stamps, the former being used for the cancellation of the stamp, and the latter only for recording the date. The principal offices used a combination of both, the obliterator portion falling upon the stamp and the date stamp portion on the envelope. The ink sent out to offices was unthinned and soon became of the consistency of molasses; inking-pads accumulated dust and fluff, and as the brass obliterator gathered up all greedily, little hope was there of fair specimens for the collector, from letters posted at other than large offices. Moreover, "non-permanent" sub-offices (i. e., post offices established in sparsely populated parts, and in charge of non-departmental persons such as storekeepers, settlers, &c., who, in consideration of the convenience to the district, attended to same for a nominal renumeration—perhaps none) were not provided with either of the before-mentioned instruments of destruction, so, naturally, invented, or adopted, things, and means much worse!

Such offices, also some of the less important "permanent" or departmental offices, were required by regulation to cancel stamps by writing the name of office and date upon each with pen and ink. This was a tedious task, so many officers carved in wood rough imitations of obliterators and used them with compounds of various kinds in lieu of obliterating ink! Others less ingenious (or with less diabolical inventiveness!) used the ends of round office rulers, the head of a wooden clothes peg, the section of a broom handle, or the mail bag seal!

HALFPENNY, QUEEN'S HEAD.

I consider it doubtful whether any "no watermark" issue existed, i. e., on genuine unwatermarked sheets. If it did, the paper was probably that of 1872 Stanley Gibbons 100/102) which, however, had only a short life, having been superseded during the same year by paper watermarked N. Z. (S. G. 103/104) and the lozenge "Invicta" (S. G. 105). Probably the "No Wmk." halfpenny specimens (S. G. 109/111) are from sheets watermarked N. Z., it being noticeable that the perfs. are identical (compare S. G. 106, 107, 108 with S. G. 109, 110 and 111 respectively). Prior to 1868 there were (excluding the unauthorized "Dunedin perf." 13) only two Colonial perforations, viz., perf. 10 and perf. 12½, with their compounds, but of latter I have seen only one, viz., 10x12½, no specimens of Nos. 93/95a, 108 or 111 in 12½x10 having come under my notice. The catalogue appears to be in this respect, misleading as regards Nos. 108 and 111. Doubtless the 12½x10 exist, but I doubt their being the more common.

To return to watermarks. The 1872 watermark N. Z. paper was designed for oblong stamps about double the size of the rose halfpenny, which would account for a large number of the latter falling entirely on the unwatermarked portions of the paper. If this paper was used, pairs should exist consisting of watermarked and unwatermarked specimens; and *vice versa* if entirely unwatermarked sheets was used, blocks should exist without watermark. Possibly both papers were used?

Specimens of unwatermarked halfpenny are also obtained from margins of the 1874 issue, taken from between, or from ends of, the words "New Zealand Postage." These, of course, are all perf. 12½, and are often treated (wrongly) as being S. G. No. 110. They are easily distinguishable, being of a very bright rose colour, whereas S. G. No. 110 is of a much duller shade. These marginal no watermarks were very frequent in the pictorial issues of 1902/1907, but personally I attach little value to them. They are, however, not as common as might be imagined, as owing to perforations varying in position, very many sheets contained no specimen quite clear of both the lettering and watermark (S. G. 12a or 14).

Regarding the "Star" perf. "nearly 12" (S. G. No. 113) and shown as issued in 1875, it seems probable that this stamp is shown in wrong place. It may have been issued in 1875, after the "large Star" issue of 1d and 2d, but is evidently from the comb machine, "11x11½," of 1878 and should, think, be shown therewith. This machine gauged 12x11¾, 12x12, 11¾x11¾ and 11½x11½.

There was no other machine gauging under 12, excepting the perf. 10, which latter need not be considered.—*Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly.*

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11	1857	1d used	$0.75	$0.25
32	1864	6d mint	3.00	.75
34	"	1sh penmarked	.12	.08
52	1870	10d mint	.50	.40
54	1871	2d used	.35	.10
60	1878	1d mint	.12	.08
62	"	8d "	.25	.25
63	1880	3d "	.15	.12
65	1889	½ on 1, mint	.25	.15

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23	"	1sh "	.60	.45
24	"	½ on 2½, mint	.50	.30
27	"	½ on 6d, "	.75	.25

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95	1883	1d used	.25	.10
101	1885	2d mint	.50	.35
118	1893	½ on 2, mint	.40	.15

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Ramsay, Robert E., Box 397, Norfolk, Va.; age legal; Clerk. Reference: Bank of Norfolk. Proposed by Leon V. Cass, No. 2640.

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*	" 6d olive & carm.	.85
*	" 1sh orange	1.17
*1907	Chile, Marina Oficial, 1c green	1.45
*1903	Cyprus, 30 par lilac and green	.09
*	" 4pi olive and lilac	.90
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*	" 45pi	3.90
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*1902-09	Gold Coast lilac & blue, 2½d	.12
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	" 1sh do. used	.20
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	" 6d used	.15
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3369. Schwede, W., from 5th Ave. to 1118 1st Ave., Seattle, Wash.
3741. Heiser, Geo. H., from Maysville, Ky., to 205 W. 2nd St., Davenport, Ia.
3803. Art, Carl W., from Pacific Ave. to Box 1624, Spokane, Wash.
2561. Russell, J. W., from 23rd St. to 127 Madison Ave., New York, N. Y.
1934. McNeil, A. M., from Hancock St. to 92 Brooklyn Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

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Total membership June 11, 1910,	1929

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APPLICATIONS PENDING.

Saunders, Oliver F.	Sanderson, Geo. A.
Ralsted, H. E. M.	Turner, H. G.
Chumley, H. H.	Lilienthal, Arthur G.
Yaremdji, Michel.	Hanger, G. Wallace.
Wilson, Edwin C.	Mearns, Louis Z.
Ballard, O. L.	Bryant, Arthur H.
Scofield, A. B.	Louis, Charles.
Heller, Leonard G.	Loeffler, Frank A.
Huber, A. W.	Ramsay, Robert E.
Carpenter, A. E.	Fritsche, Walter W.

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Fehlig, Burdette, H., 3127 Locust St., St. Louis, Mo.; age 21; Clerk. References: First National Bank, Ypslanti, Mich.; H. E. Saier, Lansing, Mich. Proposed by J. H. Anschuetz, No. 2863.

McGraw, Sanborn T., 26 Pingree Ave., Detroit, Mich.; age 40; Banker. References: W. V. Moore; F. F. Moran. Proposed by C. F. Heyerman, No. 3101.

Holliday, Chas. O., 1009 E. Oak St., Taylorsville, Ill.; age 27; P. O. Clerk. References: L. D. Hewitt; C. W. Slaybaugh. Proposed by C. G. Ferris, No. 3423.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3806. Cowles, Burton G., Washington, D. C.
3807. Koehnle, F. C., Lincoln, Ill.
3808. Mullhall, Sydney M., Liverpool, N. S., Canada.
3809. McKelvey, A. J., Tuckson, Arizona.
3810. Lifka, Edw. A., St. Louis, Mo.

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STAMPS AND REGISTRATION.

By L. HARALD KJELLSTEDT.

A former article on this subject brought forth a communication which, coming as it does from one of our foremost dealers, gives an important illustration of conditions little known to collectors in general and given small attention by the dealers. After pondering over the case set forth in the communication referred to, we may well ask ourselves: why do we go to the extra expense of registering merchandise which is barred from the protection, and the indemnity in case of loss or damage for which we pay? It seems a little short of common business honesty for the post office department to accept premiums for an insurance which it does not intend to pay in case it is called upon to do so. As long as we meekly submit to being discriminated against, the conditions will remain as they are, but I believe that a concerted action on the part of the American philatelic, numismatic, and revenue societies would be liable to bring results from which we would all benefit. The post office department should either pay indemnity in cases of loss of registered consignments of postage stamps, or else refuse to extend the registration privileges to such consignments. All we want is to know definitely where we stand without having to bring such knowledge through costly experiences.

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THE POSTAGE STAMPS OF THE PROVINCE OF SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN, 1851-1852.

A Paper Read Before the Royal Philatelic Society, London.

By H. M. Hansen.

The stamps of these two provinces have, like so many other issues of postage stamps, quite an historic interest, apart from their philatelic value. They show us clearly the much-debated history of the two Dukedoms from 1850 up to 1866, and although there are no stamps of very great rarity nor any great number of varieties, yet they do undoubtedly possess considerable philatelic interest, not least because they, in common with many of the other stamps of German States, possess the virtue of finality, for no fresh issues of stamps are likely to take place for these provinces, unless under circumstances which would necessitate a re-arrangement of the map of Europe.

Although the Revolutionary Government was established as early as 24th March, 1848, no issue of stamps was made until November 15th, 1850. An order was issued by the Provisionary Government dated Kiel, 2nd April, 1850, authorizing the issue of stamps for the province of Schleswig-Holstein. The officials had already on the 26th March, 1850, applied to an engraver by the name of Wiener, in Brussels, and an essay was sent by Mr. Wiener to the Schleswig-Holstein authorities, but this essay is unfortunately quite unknown. It did not prove acceptable to the officials. A further essay was made in May, 1850, by a printer's apprentice at Kiel, but proved likewise unsuitable.

Negotiations were then entered into with the firm of H. W. Köbner and Lehmkuhl in Altona. Various essays were produced by Messrs. H. W. Köbner and Lehmkuhl—of which I possess an almost complete set—finally resulting in the acceptance of the design, for which contract was entered into for the production of 2,000,000 stamps, and these were delivered as follows:—

10th Nov., 1850	80,000,	1 schilling,	blue.
" " "	40,000,	2 "	red.
25th " "	20,000,	1 "	blue.
" " "	20,000,	2 "	red.
24th Dec., "	100,000,	1 "	blue.
" " "	100,000,	2 "	red.
14th Feb., 1851	1,100,000,	1 "	blue.
" " "	540,000,	2 "	red.

In all 1,300,000 1 schilling, blue, and 700,000 2 schilling, red.

On the 15th November, 1850, these stamps were issued to the public, but only for use in the Dukedom of Holstein, as the Danes had already by that time reoccupied the whole of Schleswig. From the books and accounts still in possession of the postal authorities at Kiel, it appears that in all 8000 stamps at 1 schilling and 4000 at 2 schilling were issued. These 12,000 stamps were used to pay the postage on 8701 letters, which will fully explain the rarity of used specimens of these stamps. The small quantity used of these stamps is further accounted for by the short time they were in actual circulation, as well as by the circumstance that the use of stamps at that period was quite strange to the ordinary public. This is clearly shown by the fact that whereas from the 1st of January until the end of August, 1851, 1,158,092 letters went through the post, only 6589 were actually posted with the new stamps on, the remainder being either paid for across the counter or by the recipients. The balance of these stamps were transferred to Copenhagen after the Danish reoccupation of the two Dukedoms in 1852. Some of these found their way into the hands of Copenhagen stamp dealers, but a large quantity went back to Kiel in 1864, and were sold there at face value, but not for postal use. This ends the first period of stamp issue of these provinces.

The next we hear about postage stamps in connection with Schleswig-Holstein was an essay printed in Copenhagen in 1860. The first printing consisted of 700 stamps on rather thick paper, and in 1862 a further 1200 were printed. In the last printing the blue net-work is more noticeable and the brown color is much clearer than in the previous printing. I have marked these essay printings 2 and 3, as it is stated that this essay was already in existence in 1850, and that three stamps were then printed of each design on thin paper. I have never seen copies of this first printing. There is nothing very remarkable about these essays. The first one has the head of King Frederick VII, and the second the head of Mercury. It is said that the features of Mercury were made to resemble the Countess Danner, the morganatic wife of King Frederick VII.

After the reoccupation of Schleswig-Holstein by the joint armies of Prussia and Austria in 1864, the first issue of stamps was made by the German Federal Government on March 1st, 1864, printed by H. W. Köbner and Lehmkuhl, Altona. Of this issue three printings or types exist. These stamps were produced in sheets of 100 each, and as soon as the printing of each issue was completed the stones were destroyed, thus necessitating a re-engraving when further orders arrived. Hence the distinct variety of the three printings. These stamps were used for the Province of Holstein only. All three printings were used imperforated, but a rouletted variety exists of the first issue. When used it always bears the postmark "127" inside three circles, which indicates the town of Oldenburg in Holstein. This rouletted variety correctly postmarked is somewhat rare. There are numerous forgeries of this stamp unused and used, with other postmarks. Of the three types, type 2 is distinctly the rarest. Type 3 is quite common.

The first issue of stamps for the Dukedom of Schleswig was made on March 10th, 1864. The first value printed was the 4 schilling, carmine, issued jointly by Austria and Prussia, and printed at the Prussian State Printing Office in Berlin. Of these the following quantities were printed:—

On the 7th March, 1864,	10,000
14th " "	100,000
21st August, 1865,	100,000
In all	210,000.

In spite of these considerable issues this stamp is not at all common in used condition. This is accounted for by the fact that the last 100,000 printed on the 21st August were never issued to the public, but passed mostly into the hands of dealers, as did also the remainder of the previous printings to the number of 99,994, thus leaving only about 10,000 stamps actually sold over the postal counter.

The next value, the 1¼ schilling, green, was printed in April 1864. Of this value no less than 2,000,000 were issued. After the 30th December, 1864, these stamps became also available in Holstein. This issue is known to have been used bisected in Holstein, but was never available in that condition in Schleswig.

A further issue for Holstein was made in May 1864. Also of 1¼ schilling, but of different design—roulette 8. This stamp was used provisionally, bisected, from June 1864 until April 1865. I show a copy of this on original letter, and also two copies of the complete stamp with the Bergedorf postmark, which is rather difficult to obtain.

In 1865, after the occupation of both the Dukedoms by the armies of Austria and Prussia, a further joint issue was made by the occupying Powers, and printed in the Prussian State Printing Office in Berlin. The first value was printed in February, namely, the ½ schilling, rose. Of this issue there were delivered in all 3,990,000 between the 15th February and the 13th December, 1865, but no more than about 585,000 of these stamps were issued to the public up to the 31st October, 1865, when they were withdrawn from use, but from November 1866 they were again made available both in Holstein and Schleswig.

In June 1865 a further value was issued, namely, the 1¼ schilling, green, of which altogether 3,407,500 were printed. Of these only about 1,300,000 were sold across the counter up to the end of October 1865, when they were withdrawn from use. These stamps were likewise made available again from November 1866 until the 31st December, 1867.

The next issue, the 1⅛ schilling, lilac, was made in August 1865. Of this issue 1,500,000 were printed. This stamp was only in use two and a half months, and not more than 250,000 to 300,000 used. Of this number a good proportion were used on postal orders to Prussia, and therefore destroyed with these. This stamp is therefore not very common in used condition. This issue was made available again from November 1866 until December 31st, 1867.

A further value was issued on the 18th August of the same year, namely, the 2 schilling, blue. One million seven hundred thousand were delivered by the printers in four separate parcels. It is estimated that from 260,000 to 300,000 were used, mostly on letters to Denmark. The last value of these series, namely, the 4 schilling, brown, was issued on the 10th September, 1865, and the sale of this stamp was discontinued on the 31st October in Schleswig and Holstein, and on the 31st December in

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The next series of stamps was made after Prussia and Austria had quarrelled with regard to the possession of the two Dukedoms which had been torn away from Denmark. This issue was made on the 1st of November, 1865. The stamps were produced by Messrs. Köbner and Lehmkuhl in Altona, and consisted of the following values:

½ schilling,	green,	500,000	printed.
1¼ "	lilac,	2,000,000	"
		1,500,000	"
2 "	blue,	700,000	"
		500,000	"
1⅓ "	rose,	1,000,000	"
4 "	light brown,	1,000,000	"

The paper on which this issue is printed is somewhat coarser than that utilized for the previous issue. These stamps were made for use in Holstein, and issued on the 1st November, 1865, and they were current until the close of 1867. They became available in Schleswig also from November 1866, but were rarely used in that Province.

A separate issue for the Dukedom of Schleswig was made on the 1st November, 1865, in the following values:

½ schilling,	green,	500,000
1¼ "	lilac,	5,000,000
1⅓ "	rose,	500,000
2 "	blue,	500,000
4 "	brown,	500,000

The 1¼ schilling value in this issue occurs in various shades, from red-lilac to almost grey. Most catalogues mention the 1¼ value under two headings, namely, in the lilac and the grey colour. In reality there were two printings of this stamp. The lilac one was rouletted 11½ to 11¾, whereas the grey was rouletted 10. The second printing was undoubtedly made in the same colour as the previous one, but the gum used was different to that used on the previous issue, and absorbed the lilac colour and left the stamp distinctly grey.

In February 1866, a further stamp for use in Holstein was issued, namely, the 1¼ schilling, violet, printed by Messrs. Köbner and Lehmkuhl as before. It is estimated that about 2,500,000 of these stamps were printed. They must have been used very extensively, and unused stamps of this value are not common.

Another value was issued in the beginning of July 1866, namely, the 2 schilling, blue. It is estimated that only 200,000 of these stamps were printed, but the figure is not authentic.

The issue of stamps for these Dukedoms finally ceased after the termination of the war between Austria and Prussia, when the Dukedoms were taken possession of by the latter Power, and the stamps of Prussia and the North German Federation took the place of the former separate issues.—*London Philatelist.*

FORGER OF POSTAGE STAMPS.

According to the evidence at the Old Bailey on Thursday of Detective-Inspector Neil, who with two other detectives paid a surprise visit to a house in the Hornsey-road, Holloway, he found in an oven in a room occupied by Thomas Cole, alias Palmer, three moulds for making florins, and in the room itself eight other moulds for making half crowns, florins, and shillings, a counterfeit half-crown, 120 counterfeit florins, 275 counterfeit shillings, and a number of other unfinished coins. Also an envelope containing fifteen unfinished forged penny postage stamps, a die for printing the stamps, and a large quantity of material used in making coins and in printing stamps. When charged with possessing forged penny stamps, Cole said, "That's very handy. It saves one going to buy a stamp when one is wanted."

Cole, who was described as an artist, was convicted as an habitual criminal. He had undergone two terms of five years' penal servitude, a sentence of ten years, and one of three years.

The Common Sergeant sentenced him to three years' penal servitude, and five years' detention as an habitual criminal. —London Newspaper.

DEATH OF C. WITT.

While a news gleaning elsewhere notes the death of Mr. Witt we deem it proper to quote the following from A. Krassa, received just as we are going to press:—

"Mr. C. Witt of Yonkers, N. Y., died at his home suddenly on June 14 at 2.30 A. M. He was in his 67th year and was a charter member of the A. P. S., his membership number 17.

Philately lost in him one of the staunchest friends, he was one of the old school and kept his love for stamps to the last.

He has been for many years superintendent in the German hospital, one of the great institutions in N. Y. City.

He left many friends (both here and in the old world) who feel his death keenly. He made friends wherever he went and his helping hand has been always ready.

He leaves a widow and three boys, two of whom are minors."

ZULULAND, 1894-96 ISSUE.

By B. W. H. Poole.

The stamps were printed in sheets of 120, arranged in two panes of 60 (10 horizontal rows of six), placed side by side. The panes were separated by a space of about 10 mm., and around each was a continuous jubilee line. Above the 2nd and 11th stamps in the top row and below the corresponding stamps in the bottom row, the plate number is shown on the margins. All these marginal details are, of course, in the same colour as the main portion of the design printed from the head plate.

The plate number consists of an uncoloured figure "1" or "2" on a solid circle of colour with a ring around.

The first supplies of all values, except the 2s 6d, were printed from plate 1. The 2s 6d and supplies of the ½d and 1d printed in 1896 were produced from plate 2.

In the case of the ½d, 1d, 2½d and 3d denominations, the value is shown in uncolored figures on a ground of horizontal lines, while in the higher denominations the value is in colour on a plain tablet.

The lettering in "ZULULAND" does not appear to be exactly uniform on all the values. In the 1d the "D" is distinctly narrow as compared with the other stamps of the set, while in the ½d the whole type seems a trifle larger than usual.

The duty-plates were so constructed that only one pane of sixty stamps could be printed at a time, so that each sheet had to go through the press twice before the value and name were inserted on all the stamps. This fact can be easily proved on comparing a few sheets or blocks torn from the middle of a sheet so as to include parts of both panes, for the value tablet and name on the left-hand pane will generally be found quite out of alignment with the corresponding portions of the stamps on the right-hand pane. Again the shades on both panes are sometimes quite distinct, and further there are tiny defects in some values which occupy precisely the same position on both panes.

These defects are usually small, but they are of importance, as helping to prove this point in connection with the manufacture of the stamps. For instance, on stamp number 7 (first in second row), on each pane of the ½d there is a distinct nick on the right side of the first upward stroke of the "N"; on stamp No. 21 (third in fourth row) of the 1d, the top of the "Z" is thinned and bent downwards. This latter is quite a distinct variety, and one easy to identify.

In most values shades may be found, especially as regards the colours of the values and name.

The stamps were printed upon white wove paper, and were watermarked with a crown over the letters "C.A."

The stamps did not have a very long life, for before they had been in use for five years the territory of Zululand was annexed to the Colony of Natal. This fact was announced in a Proclamation by Sir W. F. Hely-Hutchinson, which appeared in the Natal *Government Gazette* for December 29th, 1897, and in which it was stated "that from and after Thursday, the thirtieth day of December, 1897, the said territory, or possession, of Zululand shall be annexed to and form part of the Colony of Natal."

Evidently the stamps were not at once withdrawn from sale, but the following postal notice, published in the Natal *Government Gazette* for February 15th, 1898, marks the end of the career of Zululand as a separate stamp issuing country.

Postal Notice.

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Roosevelt Collected—The newspapers are not losing sight of King George's philatelic penchant and in consequence, philately is gaining a publicity that is very acceptable. Many allusions are being made to the King's liking for stamps and usually, the items have a quaint or humorous turn. One, appropriately illustrated, that appeared in the Chicago *Daily News* read: "King George, who is an expert stamp collector, may have entertained Mr. Roosevelt for the purpose of learning something that he didn't know about stamps." The paragrapher probably did not know that Roosevelt, as a boy, was interested in philately. When C. J. Phillips, of Stanley Gibbons, London, was introduced to President Roosevelt, the introduction having been obtained through the courtesy of Senator Lodge, on the occasion of a visit to America by Mr. Phillips, President Roosevelt's expressions were such that it was apparent that he was no stranger to stamps; and he told Mr. Phillips that in his younger days he had been engaged in collecting them.

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Good Work Again—The members of the American Philatelic Society have reason to feel proud of their Educational Committee. The committee has just issued a second folder, illustrated by stamps themselves, and in all respects, it is a worthy companion to the first publication which was so heartily extolled. The subject of the second folder is Australia, and illustrating "A Brief History" are a map; and a stamp from each of the states, as follows: New South Wales, Western Australia, South Australia, Victoria and Queensland. The text is in excellent measure and tone and charmingly affords a setting for each of the stamps. Accompanying the stamp folder is the second "Talk with the Boys and Girls," contributed by H. N. Mudge, president of the society, and it is every whit as compelling and enthralling as the first one, which was a triumph of its kind. The scheme of distribution of the folder was enlarged upon when previously we noticed the first issue; and suffice it to say that the returns that have followed the circulation of the folders and the tracts telling of the pleasant lessons learned from stamps are a hearty vindication of the wisdom of the method of procedure. No boy or girl, or adult, unlettered in philately, can examine one of the committee's packets without being favorably impressed, whether they have the philatelic instinct or not. The subject of the third folder will be the Empire of China and so many stamps will be used that the Educational Committee will ask dealers to submit bids, in all probability. No doubt a contribution of a small sum to the missionary work would be acknowledged by the sending of one of the folders; or perhaps, ten cents would bring one from the committee.

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Penflip Assents—We have had a misunderstanding with Parnassus Penflip, who, it may be remembered, was so kind as to offer a prize recently for the first correct answer to a question propounded by Louis G. Barrett. None of our readers was able to solve the problem and so the award was not made. Thereupon, without consulting Penflip we said that inasmuch as many answers were received even though none was right, it was possible that the renowned Penflip would be pleased to confer upon each of the contestants, a memento in the shape of a stamp. This delicate course would conduce to good feeling all around, we thought. Nothing was heard from our genius for a time and we wrote calling attention to the tactful offer made in his behalf. We then received from Penflip a letter that caused us the most poignant pain; it bristled with pungent Penflipian periods that were better left unsaid. We quote some of the milder lines of the letter. "Your liberality with other people's stamps and money is touching. . . . Why not, since you are so free with suggestions extend that spirit of generosity to your own stamps?" Suspecting that the great Penflip was irritated over the fact that we have not paid him for his brilliant lucubrations contributed in the past, we wrote soothingly to promise payment so soon as possible. Parnassus Penflip was mollified and taking advantage of a favorable oportunity, we asked if he would again offer his prize in another contest conceived in the fertile mind of Louis G. Barrett. Penflip said: "Please accelerate remittance. I shall again offer an honorarium in the shape of a British colonial stamp of a facial expression of not less than five shillings, unused, to the student of researchive predilection who is the first to answer correctly the following question predicated by that profound philatelist, Mr. Barrett of Boston. Could you send check by the first; I have a note to meet on that day?" Those who have written asking what had become of Penflip are referred to this explanation.

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Prize Question—Here is Mr. Barrett's question, for the answer to which the Penflip prize is offered: On what British colonial stamp, now obsolete, was the denomination shown in two conflicting terms of the same currency; and without resorting to a surcharge? Study the terms of the contest and notice the words, "two conflicting terms of the same currency;" under this restriction, Canada and Prince Edward Island, for instance, are ineligible, as "currency" and "sterling" were not the "same currency." Send in your answers on postal card or otherwise not later than July 15th; address the WEEKLY, as it might be deemed presumptuous by Parnassus Penflip, if one addressed him personally.

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The Right Spirit—We are pleased to make a copy of the following letter for presentation in this column:

"P. M. Wolsieffer, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:—I see you are Chairman of the Educational Committee of Philately so I thought I would write to you for a little assistance in that line. I am one of the Trustees of the Carnegie Free Library of Clinton, Iowa, and have wanted to have books in that line placed on the shelves for several years, and a couple of years ago I had Miss Mulaney, our Librarian, order a few books and a catalogue and she told me they were always in use and hardly ever could be found in the Library, showing there are plenty interested.

Last night the Board had a meeting and the matter of buying books from an old Library of a collector who had given up the pastime was brought up; in fact I had been working for this purchase for several weeks (A. L. Schuyler of Clinton having volunteered his assistance) but I met strong opposition by several members of the Board who could not see any good in them and could not see where the educational part came in; but when it came to a vote there were three against the purchase and four for it, carrying by one majority.

Dr. E. L. Martindale, the new postmaster and a member of the Board, was very strongly in favor of it; Mrs. W. I. Hays, wife of our late Congressman Hays, of the second District of Iowa, also a member of the Board, talked strongly in favor of it and voted for it. and G. W. Phelps, another member of the Board, also Secretary, and a leading attorney and a member of the School Board, had the casting of the last vote and voted in favor of it, so now we have a start at last. An appropriation of $60.00 was made for the purchase of the books, which drained our Treasury so that we cannot for the present use any more money for that purpose, but will later on.

Now do you know any one who would be willing to donate some books or papers for that purpose? Miss Mulaney, our Librarian, is very handy and willing to place a bulletin board in the Library or do anything that will help the matter along and we have a city of 30,000 inhabitants, among whom I believe there are quite a number of philatelists, if there was a possible chance to get them interested in our library in that way.

Anything you may suggest or do will be appreciated, or anything you might suggest to our Librarian. She is willing to assist in the work.

Respectfully yours,
(Signed) E. E. HECKER,
A. P. S. Member No. 3482, Lyons, Ia."

Mr. Hecker shows an interest in his chosen hobby that should stir some of us who are prone to follow the course of least resistence in proclaiming the virtues of philately to enterprising endeavor. Through a disinterested desire to see philately prosper, Mr. Hecker is willing to do a bit of fighting for his faith. It is our belief that Mr. Hecker is entitled to distinguished consideration and that donations of papers and books would be worthily bestowed. The Educational Committee may be said to refer Mr. Hecker's letter to the members as a whole for action.

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70	24c	1.00	.80	.60	.45
71	30c	.75	.60	.45	.35
72	90c blue	3.50	2.65	2.00	1.60
75	5c red br.	3.50	2.30	1.75	1.20
76	5c brown	.50	.35	.25	.18
77	15c black	.60	.45	.30	.22
78	24c lilac	.60	.45	.30	.22
91	15c, 11x13	4.00	2.25	1.75	1.25
95	5c, 9x13	4.00	..	2.25	1.75
98	15c, "	1.00	.75	.55	.40
100	30c, "	4.00	..	..	1.75
101	90c, "	12.00	..	..	4.90
1869					
112	1c	.75	.50	.35	.25
115	6c	.65	.45	.35	.25
116	10c	.80	.60	.45	.30
117	12c	.65	.50	.40	.30
118	15c	3.50	2.25	1.90	1.65
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FASCINATION OF PHILATELY.

(Under the above heading there recently appeared in the Boston *Christian Science Monitor* the following editorial. We reprint it as showing the attention now being paid philately as compared with former years. Clipping from F. D. Goodhue.—Ed.)

The recent dinner of the Boston Philatelic Society in honor of Henry J. Crocker of San Francisco, who exhibited a single postage stamp of a small denomination valued at $5000, once more calls attention to the charm that large numbers of people find in stamp-collecting. Mr. Crocker is famous in the philatelic world and has probably expended $50,000 in gathering rare postage specimens. There are collections of stamps both in this country and abroad far exceeding that sum in cost, but these are the exceptions, and thousands of collectors take delight in collections representing but a few hundred dollars' outlay.

The insight that one gets into past and current history of the different countries, nations and governments of the world is one of the incidental benefits derived from a study and pursuit of philately, if, indeed, not the chief one. Rulers' heads usually comprise the main portion of the face of a stamp, changing with new dynasties, of which the collector must keep track. New issues of stamps are not infrequently made by heads of some of the smaller and poorer governments for the profit arising from the sale to the eager philatelists. Switzerland is putting out a new stamp that will bring it considerable revenue. It represents a tax or surcharge on postal packets, of which millions are annually forwarded from all over the world to visitors in the land of the Swiss.

The gathering of used stamps opens a very pleasant field to young folks, and they can enter it to considerable advantage with but slight expense. Its historical feature may make more interesting to them a branch of study which often they do not find attractive as commonly presented.

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ITEMS FROM THE ENGLISH PRESS.

By Charles E. Jenney.

Gibbons Weekly of Mar. 21st presents as a frontispiece a detached mezzo-print of King Edward VII, which should be mounted by collectors at the beginning of their "king's heads".

In an article on the 3kr postage due of Bavaria, translated from the German of Dr. Erich Stenger, appears the felicitous phrase, "the classical period of philately", applied to the days when errors and misprints were errors and misprints and not intentional fakes for speculators. The author shows how this stamp comes to have the only vertical silk threads shown on any Bavarian stamps, being printed on the same paper that was used for the square, numeral type, but sidewise. By the way, this is a rather hard stamp to pick up.

In the April *West End Philatelist* we find an article by Bertram W. H. Poole on Sierra Leone. Those who have never seen the first issue type in blocks have failed to realize that the cut away corners form an eight-pointed star in the centre of each block of four. This gives an unusual and attractive appearance to a sheet or block, not evident in the single stamp.

The same magazine displays on its cover a block of five Mauritius 2d Post Paid, the odd stamp having the scarce error "penoe".

The editor has an article on Acknowledgement of Receipt stamps.

There is not much of interest in the May 21st number of the *Postage Stamp*. Mr. Melville's genius seems to have been concentrated on his series of booklets to the neglect of the magazine. There is an article on Prince Edward Island but with little new information about this already much written-up country.

In the May 14th issue of the same magazine is a brief outline of the more important epochs in King Edward's career, so arranged as to be of special interest to the philatelist.

It is to be noted that a paper read before the Isle of Thanet Philatelic Society on April 30th bore the title of "U. S. Abroad" and dealt with our foreign or colonial post offices. I fancy there might have been considerable in it of interest to U. S. collectors as it is along a line that has lately been attracting attention here.

An enterprising English dealer is already advertising stamps with the portrait of George V, probably referring to the Newfoundland or Canada stamps of his Prince of Wales days.

In the *Postage Stamp* for May 28, Cornelius Wrinkle quotes extensively from the British press criticisms of the current stamps and the calls for a more artistic issue. King George V's philatelic relations are expected and called upon to bear fruit in a high grade of art. Curiously, a Scottish paper, the *Aberdeen Journal*, and an Irish one, the *Irish Times*, both call attention to the defect of there being no name of the country of origin on British stamps, almost the only exception, and this too in a country whose stamps circulate most widely abroad. One would have supposed this feature would have first been marked upon nearer London. I have more than once had friends tell me they had some Irish stamps and on my correcting them, produce the proof, the stamp bearing no name of country but the postmarks being Dublin and Cork, and begorra, they were right.

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Soudan's Postal Issues
Switzerland, Revenue Stamps of
Tobago, Stamps of
U. S. Encased Postage Stamps
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Edited by HENRY A. KIDDER.

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AUSTRIA.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the new 25h postage due stamp, chronicled in No. 1015 and we find it is on unsurfaced paper, the other stamps being on paper very highly coated.

ARGENTINE.—The French papers are coming to hand, and we find that the new set extends to the 20 pesos. The ½c stamp has the "Commemorative Pyramid" while the 12c has the Hall of Congress. The "Commemorative Monument" appears on the 10p, there being no conflict between this value and the ½c. San Martin is distinguished by being placed on the stamp of highest value. We chronicle below the values not previously chronicled, taking the list from *L'Echo*:

Adhesives.

4c blue and green; Fort and Palace of the Viceroy.
5p orange and violet; Junta taking the oath.
10p orange and black; commemorative monument.
20p blue and black; San Martin.

BELGIUM.—The J. M. Bartels Co. has shown us the new charity stamps announced in No. 1011. There are two designs, the 1c and 5c being of Type I and the 2c and 10c of Type II. The stamps are large, like the Brussells Exposition, and the Sunday coupon has a single lined border, but the arrangement is different, each language being in two short lines with a line between. The French is at the left and the Flemish at the right. The two designs are very similar, both showing St. Martin on horseback, in the act of dividing his cloak with a beggar. The value is in a square in the lower left corner, and the word "Caritas" extends across the stamp under the picture. "Belgique","Belgie" extends across the top at each of St. Martin's head, and Type II has the date "1910" under "Belgie". Type I has the inscriptions in colored letters on a colorless background, the background of the picture is shaded and partly cut out. Type II has a solid background of color for the picture, all the inscriptions are in colorless letters. The figures of value are in colors on all values, but on Type I the figures have a shaded line, while the others are plain. On Type II there is a colored line between the two lines of each language as well as between the two languages. The stamps are sold at double face, except the 10c which is sold for 15 centimes.

Adhesives.

1c gray.
2c red brown.
5c blue green.
10c carmine.

CANAL ZONE.—S. G. Williams reports finding Scott's No. 24, with the "C" and "A" of "Canal" ⅛ of an inch apart, or about twice as far as the other letters.

CHINA.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the two new values chronicled in No. 1011. They are both odd shades, the 3s being slate green and the 7s a peculiar deep red brown or brown carmine.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.—A. W. Dunning sends us three values of the current postage due set, on watermarked paper. The 4c, however, is the only new one in the lot.

Postage Due Adhesives.

Watermarked Cross and Rings.
2c brown olive.
4c brown olive.
10c brown olive.

GIBRALTAR.—*Morocco Agencies.*—The new 4d orange stamp of Great Britain has been surcharged "Morocco Agencies" and new value "40 Centimos". The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the stamp.

Adhesive.

40c on 4d orange.

GREAT BRITAIN.—*Lemaire's Journal* says that it was planned to issue a historical series of stamps, after the style of the current Austrian set, with portraits of the most noted of the Kings and Queens of England, but that this project has been abandoned, owing to the death of King Edward.

The current ½d, 1d and 2d are to be issued in the type of the 7d, just issued, the 2d to have its colors changed, as announced in No. 1015.

HAYTI. — Regarding the four new stamps chronicled, A. W. Dunning sends us the following from a correspondent in Hayti: "***I enclose herewith some of a new issue that have been lying in the Post Office since December last, and would have been placed on sale some weeks ago, but it was found that the same old plates have been used in printing the new issue, bearing therefore the same year (date 1906). There have been changes made in only the 2, 5 and 20 cts., where the portrait of President A. T. Simon replaces that of Gen. Nord Alexis, and these values are printed in two colors. I am told that there has been a change of colors in the other denominations, but whether or not to put them on sale has not yet been decided.***"

HONDURAS.—W. L. Kinkead reports finding another of the split provisionals chronicled in Nos. 1013 and 1003. In this case the cover has two 6c stamps, one 2c and half another 2c cut diagonally, thus making up the 15 cents necessary.

HUNGARY.—A competition has just been held and prizes awarded for designs for the new series of stamps shortly to be issued.

ITALY.—*L'Echo* says that though the Garibaldi stamps continue to be sold only in Sicily, their use throughout Italy has been authorized by the Government. Another commemorative series will be issued in 1911, of four values. The designs have been selected from competitive drawings.

JAVA.—A. W. Dunning reports having this set without the period after "Java".

MEXICO.—This country, like Argentine, is to celebrate its centenary by the issue of a commemorative series of stamps. *L'Echo* says the colors and values from 1c to 20c will have portraits of heros and heroines of the War of Independence, and the three higher values will present historical scenes.

The C. E. Hussman Stamp Co. has shown us the current set with the new "Oficial" surcharge.

NETHERLANDS. — *Lemaire's Journal* says that the color of the 17½c is to be changed to blue and gray at the next printing.

RUSSIA.—The 1r value has now been issued on the plain wove paper, with varnished lines over the face. The colors are the same as before, a copy having been shown us by the New England Stamp Co.

TURKEY.—Recent changes in the postage charged on newspapers and periodicals in the Ottoman Empire indicate the early issue of stamps of 2 and 4 paras.

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Uruguay "Official", all 3 sets but Scott 289 which does not exist.	
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358	4c on 20c, .02; 359, 10c gray	.02
361	1s orange, .03; 5s brown	.07
	10s vermilion, .11; 10c on 50c	.07
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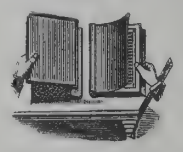

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—Information has reached us from several subscribers of the death of C. Witt, a well-known New York collector. Mr. Putney, of the Scott Stamp & Coin Co. writes us that he was "one of the oldest and best known collectors. He has been in poor health for a long time, but had no immediate serious illness, passing away with little warning at his home in Yonkers, Tuesday, June 14. Mr. Witt was sixty-nine years old."

—E. C. Dodd, LaGrange, Ill., will make his annual stock buying trip to New York City, the latter part of July, where he may be seen at the Hoffman House, by a poin ment.

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To the President and Members of the A. P. S.:—

This is the third report of your Board of Vice Presidents, which as heretofore has held weekly meetings to transact business of the Society coming before it.

As usual, many members have sought to use the Board as a collection agency, and we have been forced to repeatedly request that charges preferred by one member against another must be substantiated by an affidavit, under Section 2, Article II of our By-Laws.

The ballot has been prepared and sent to the Secretary to be printed, containing the nominations for officers for the ensuing year as made by the Washington and Cleveland branches respectively; and in accordance with Article IX, we invited offers from the various philatelic publications to serve as official organ of the Society and publish its official matter. The recent ruling of the Post Office Department appears to have the effect of discouraging publications from favoring members in the way of low subscription rates, at least nothing of this character has been suggested. It is proposed, however, to publish the Society's matter free of charge, the subscription price for the publication being a personal matter between each individual member of the Society and the publishers.

It has also been suggested to the Board that the Society publish its own official organ, but as this is a matter which could not under our By-Laws be submitted to the members by ballot, we presume that it will be urged at the Convention, and we suggest that if it is desired by the members to have the Society publish its own organ, that such could be indicated on the proxies of those who now expect to be present in Detroit.

Respectfully,
F. R. CORNWALL, Chairman.

MINUTES OF CHICAGO BRANCH.

June 8, 1910.

The 286th regular meeting of Chicago Branch No. 1 of the American Philatelic Society was held in Room 1108, 100 Washington St., on the evening of June 8th, 1910. President Whitaker called the meeting to order with the following members present: Baldwin, Bloss, Clark, Dahl, Fowler, Lindquist, Mizera, Mudge, Rogers, Roterberg, Severn, Whitaker, Wolsieffer. After discussion the minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

On motion of C. E. Severn, President Whitaker appointed Mr. Fowler a committee of one to investigate the matter of transportation and hotel accommodations for the Chicago delegation to the A. P. S. Convention at Detroit and to report at the next meeting.

The balance of the evening was given over to informal discussion of various topics. Meeting adjourned at 10 P. M. Next meeting July 13th.

HUGH M. CLARK, Sec.

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We are indebted to Henry J. Rack, A. P. S. 3291, for information in connection with a provisional revenue issue June 1 in Surinam.

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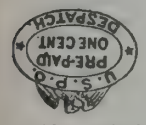

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THE POSTAGE STAMPS OF EGYPT.

By WILLIAM WARD.

Theodore Roosevelt's English speech has brought the Land of the Pharoahs to the fore. From the Scriptural to modern times Egypt has been a shuttle-cock of politics and nations. Of our modern times she has been probably the prize upon which more than one European power has cast its eyes. Of these, France and Great Britain have been the pre-eminent suitors. Of late, however, it has been said that Kaiser Wilhelm II viewed the country of Pyramids with an envious mind—that is to say if his great Eastern visit portends anything.

So valuable a position as Egypt, the key to the European entrance to the Indian ocean, must naturally be of great consequence to the general peace of Europe; thus only two nations can ever claim to hold this "promised" land, Great Britain or France. During the regrettable war of 1870-1 an anti-Anglo feeling ran among the French that Great Britain was at the back of the Prussians, in order that they might secure Egypt whilst France was troubled by home affairs. Subsequent attitude of the English of course proved that France's only true friend was the "little island of the sea." The Egyptian as the Indian, is quite incapable of governing himself let alone his nation, thus under his geographical position, it is for the best that he be under the protectorate of a responsible nation. Leaving it to personal views whether the great ex-President was correct, and I am of the opinion that he is no idle booster, it is to the peace of Europe, that if Egypt should cease to become a British Protectorate, she will only become under the rule of France.

The philatelic history of Egypt was born in 1866, and with it is woven its more important political history. The first issue of postage stamps were brought into use by the notorious Ismail Pasha, who nearly ruined the ancient land, which was but recovering from the trials of being a Turkish Province! Ismail Pasha, though he bled the country by that easy Oriental process of taxation, by which the Sultan's tax-collectors can inflict any sort or process of duty, so long as they could bring fifty per cent. into their own private purses, and another fifty per cent. into that of their august master's, he managed to domineer the Egyptians for sixteen years, 1863 to 1879. In fact he only owed this long period to the war of 1870-1. Great Britain's policy was an honest one, and she was not going to move without France, as was stated by Lord Granville, and she kept her word. In June, 1879, Ismail Pasha was expelled from Egypt by Great Britain and France.

The Egyptian Government, to the close of 1865 devised a series of postage stamps, the printing of which was given to an Italian whose headquarters were Genoa, one Fratelli Pellas by name. These stamps were purely for internal use in Egypt, letters for abroad having to be mailed through or via the several foreign post offices at Alexandria. Of seven values, they were of as many different designs, bearing only the figures and words of value in Roman and arabic characters. To prevent the printer of them privately manufacturing a few as his "own" they were overprinted, in black, in Turkish characters, arranged in an oval. At the top appears the word "Busta" or Postage, at the left "Masrije" or Egypt, and at the right "Tamgae" meaning stamp. At the bottom are characters representing the different spelt words of value.

With the exception of the one piastre, they were on watermarked paper, made in Italy, of a Pyramid surmounted by a device not altogether unlike the Argentine sun. Though the one piastre is never watermarked all values are on record in a similar state, though more often with.

The seven values are difficult to always get in the finest condition, and really the only way to be sure of possessing bright specimens is by securing them in an imperforate condition.

5 paras grey.
10 paras brown.
20 paras blue.
1 piastre mauve.
2 piastres yellow.
5 piastres rose.
10 piastres slate blue.

I might add that the catalogue value of these stamps is by no means in excess of their true worth—indeed is often less than their relative scarcity.

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ancient land, for two years later a new design was prepared by F. Hoff of Hirschberg Silesia. Some, in fact all articles dealing with Egyptian stamps say that Herr Hoff drew them on "stone." To those acquainted with processes of printing, it will be quite apparent that they were not lithographed! Anyway it is on record that the plates were consigned to Egypt, and the stamps printed from them by the firm of Penasson in Alexandria. They were printed upon paper of unknown manufacture, watermarked with the Turkish Star and Crescent. The original matrix without a doubt consisted of a block of four stamps, prepared from a blank die—the value being inserted in each matrix for the respective values, for proofs and die proofs of these exist. This issue also consisted of the same values up to the five piastres, but included none of ten piastres. The inscription along the top tablet of the 1867 issue reads "TAMGAE POSTE MASRIE" in Arabic—or literally "Stamp-postage Egyptian."

Like the first issue good specimens in mint or used condition are by no means common or well represented in value by the catalog.

The last issue of native rule occurred in 1872, and was entirely represented by its record of Egyptian skill and talent. These were lithographed under "Government" (save the mark!) supervision at Cairo, and curiously bore the words in Roman characters at the foot in Italian, who perhaps had caused the Government of the day less trouble than had the British and French. The value in a word at the right side is also given in Italian. In 1874, the stone bearing the drawings of the 5 para value was broken and rendered useless. A transfer was taken from one of the other values, leaving the corner tablet for figures of value blank. The gentleman who was allotted the task of re-drawing the figures 5 in the corners, evidently previous to so doing had dined well but not too wisely with the result that he tackled the stone upside down, or the border piece for inserting the figure, upside down. The life of the earlier 5 paras was so short that they are much scarcer than the errors of inverted figures—or as often mis-described inverted *"centers"*. It has been stated that the firm who printed the 2nd issue also did this, but is of course incorrect as was printed in the Government buildings at Cairo.

In January of the ill-fated year of 1879 (for Ismail Pasha), the stones of the 10 paras and 5 para "error," values had become in such a state of disorder, and in view of the large stocks of the now seldom used 2½ piastre value, the authorities overprinted a quantity of the latter with a new value of 5 or 10 paras. Why the 10 para is always priced more than the 5 para I can never understand because they are always seen together in pairs, and moreover exactly 170,000 of each value was surcharged. Tête-bêche pairs of the overprint are known.

Only last year I noticed a contemporary writer states with regard to the issue of 1879 "Messrs. De la Rue of London having been *successful in securing the contract,* supplied a new set of stamps. . . . . ." Had the writer studied Egyptian History a little more he would have seen that previous to this issue by a few months, that Egypt had become under the domain of Great Britain, and that by letters of monopoly, that illustrious firm print all British Crown Colonial stamps. Easily recognized as the work of De la Rue, this new issue was of the regular size of British stamps but oblong rectangular in shape instead of upright.

Curiously this issue, as before bore the inscriptions in Arabic and *French!*

Under the circumstances of this period, this is strange because France did not feel inclined to take up the responsibility of Egypt, and withdrawing, left Great Britain to administer affairs until such time as matters would be safe for the future government of the country.

Great Britain still "administers affairs," and even though the great Roosevelt advises it, Egypt of today is nothing less than a British Protectorate! Some may dispute this, but I can but refer to the Agreement of 1904, where the Republic of France declares that it will not obstruct the action of Great Britain by occupancy of Egypt, but will recognize.

This means, that no matter whether Germany, Russia or any other European power casts envious eyes on the Eastern Key to the Mediterranean, the two greatest European Powers are ready to squash any attempt. The latter issues are short of much philatelic interest, unless it be in regard to the official issues of 1907 and the ordinary issues on chalky paper in 1902.

RETIREMENT OF C. F. ROTHFUCHS.

It will come as a great surprise to most of our readers as they read the announcement on page 3 in Mr. C. F. Rothfuchs' space. This veteran dealer has sold his entire stock to the New England Stamp Co., whose advertisements will sooner or later reflect the merits of the purchase.

Mr. Rothfuchs has sold not only his stock, but his private collection and good will, and will remove to Seattle, Wash. We cannot begin to express our regrets in the severance of business relations that have extended over many years, during which time he has been thoroughly upright and honorable in his dealings and not a single complaint of unsatisfactory business relations has ever been reported to this office.

Not only will Mr. Rothfuchs be missed from the columns of the Weekly, but leaving Boston will make a wide gap in the B. P. S. of which he was an active member. He had served the society two years as president, besides filling many other positions of trust, and his stamp collection was always at the service of the society. The value of this service will be appreciated by those who know the extent of Mr. Rothfuchs' splendid collection of United States stamps.

We feel sure that this important purchase by the New England Stamp Co. will be duly emphasized in our columns and it only adds another achievement to the many business successes that the firm has carried through.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—Clippings acknowledged with thanks from H. A. Wahlborg, C. W. Stutesman, James H. Houston and F. R. Albrecht.

—In our issue of June 18 the trade advertisement of Chas. Wright gave for address Willow Junc., Iowa. It should have been Wilton Junc. We regret the error.

—The price of the packet of hinges offered by the Manhattan Stamp Co. last week should have been 12c, the figure "1" failing to show itself in the printing of a portion of the edition. No doubt the mistake was so self-evident as not to give the firm much extra labor. We regret the error and corrected advertisement will be found in this issue.

—Hugh M. Clark of Chicago, Ill., wishes us to say that he is in no way connected with H. B. Clark to whom some reference has recently been made in the philatelic press. Our Chicago dealer wishes it known that he has never been in Winnipeg and has had nothing to do with the Hobby Club, around which the storm seems to be centered. He wishes to be saved from the annoyance of answering communications intended for H. B. Clark.

BUSINESS CHANGE IN PHILADELPHIA.

Business changes are coming thick and fast this week. The latest is the taking over of the stock of the Bogert & Durbin Co. by the United States Stamp Co., as per announcement on page 1.

At this writing we are unable to give anything more than the bare fact as contained in the previous paragraph.

INFORMATION WANTED.

Mr. A. B. Slater, 274 Mass. Ave., Prov., R. I., is preparing an article on the Providence postmasters' stamps which will be published in the Weekly and later issued in book form, handsomely illustrated. Mr. Slater wishes to cover all the counterfeits of these stamps and is especially desirous of corresponding with those who have used originals on covers.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

By P. L. Pemberton.

In an article on Falkland Islands just concluded in *The West End Philatelist,* Mr. B. W. H. Poole gives some most original information, the result of very careful and minute study of entire sheets. The information which is of most importance may be summarized under three heads:—(*a*) The manner of printing, (*b*) The flaws and the constant marks on the stamps, (*c*) The question as to whether Messrs. De La Rue printed any of the Queen's Head stamps.

With regard to the first of these questions, Mr. Poole raises doubts as to whether the stamps really were produced by the line-engraved process, as has always been supposed. That there is some reason for the doubt is evident from the curious facts which Mr. Poole brings to light. The most remarkable of these is found in a comparison of entire sheets of the 4d and 1sh values, which are found to be exactly alike, even to the reproduction in each value of minute flaws found on different parts of the sheet. For instance, on the first stamp on the sheet in both values there is a small coloured dot below the right-hand end of the ornamental scroll in the left lower spandrel. On the seventh stamp in the top row there is a small line on the oval below the F, and smudges on right lower spandrel. In all, Mr. Poole describes flaws appearing on fourteen identical stamps in both values.

This remarkable uniformity is too faithful, as Mr. Poole says, to allow of any other supposition than that one plate was reproduced from the other in some way, which is quite incompatible with all that we know of the manner in which steel plates were manufactured. This, coupled with other incongruities which I shall refer to in connection with the constant dots and marks, raises a very interesting question. It is inconceivable that a roller could have been employed large enough to take the impression of the entire sixty designs at once, and yet this seems to be the only method by which all those minute imperfections could be transferred in the line-engraved process.

In his study of the small constantly recurring dots, which I termed secret marks when I mentioned them in my recently published article, Mr. Poole has discovered several that had escaped me. It will be remembered that in my article I mentioned a small dot on the E of ONE, and another in the left lower spandrel immediately to the right of the central curl, both dots occurring on all stamps except those in the bottom row. Mr. Poole found that the dot in the spandrel occurs in the same way on the 4d and 1sh values, and is also missing from the stamps in the bottom row. He also points out that these three values all have a dot just above the tip of the uppermost leaf in the left lower spandrel, this dot appearing on every stamp on the sheet, though in some instances it is exceedingly indistinct.

The 6d stamp shows none of these dots, but it also has a characteristic, found only in the stamps of the bottom row. In these ten stamps the lowest curve of the scroll in the left lower spandrel is broken in the part between the two little projections. This peculiarity is almost impossible of explanation if the stamps were printed from line-engraved plates made in the ordinary way. It is easy to add marks on a plate (before it is hardened) which would show in colour in the printing, but next to impossible to delete a mark, or, as, in this case, to make a break in a line.

The plates of the 4d and 1sh stamps being, as we have seen, practically identical with the exception of the value labels, one would naturally expect that the one penny plate, which is so like them in the arrangement of the dots in the spandrels, as well as in other respects, would also be a replica, but this is not the case.

Mr. Poole wisely does not attempt to speculate upon the way in which the plates were prepared, and is satisfied with hinting that he preserves an open mind on the subject. At any rate, he has raised a very interesting problem, which might well occupy the attention of experts in stamp printing.

The dots on the ½d and 2½d values, seen in the centre of the uncoloured oval behind the head, are shown to be engravers' guide marks. I incautiously called them "secret marks," classing them with the dots in the spandrel and elsewhere on the 1d, 4d and 1sh values, but it is quite evident that Mr. Poole's explanation is the correct one. The original die from which a plate is constructed has a small dot on one side of it, and when an impression is made on the plate this dot leaves a mark which serves as a guide for the placing of the next impression. As a rule, in the case of the Falkland Islands, the dot was covered by some part of the design where it would not show on the stamp, but in the ½d and 1d it happened that the dot fell on an uncoloured portion of the design, where it is visible. On the right-hand margins of the sheets the dots can be seen distinctly. I have an entire sheet of the 1sh in front of me as I write, but curiously enough there is no sign of the guide-line in the margin opposite the ends of the first and last rows, though it is very prominent opposite the four middle rows. On none of the other sheets and blocks of any value that I have seen does the guide-mark show in the margin of the bottom row. This is another peculiarity which requires some explanation.

The third interesting point which Mr. Poole makes is the demolition of the theory that Messrs. De La Rue & Co. printed the issues of the Queen's Head type on *Crown CA* paper. He shews conclusively, to my mind, that the original printers, Messrs. Bradbury, Wilkinson and Co., continued to print the stamps until the introduction of the current issue.

His reasons for thinking so are so evident and convincing that I am ashamed to think of the blind way in which I have always taken the old theory for granted. The first of these is that the perforation, which is from a single-line machine gauging about 14¼, is unlike that of any machine ever used by Messrs. De La Rue. The popular error has arisen through supposing that the CA issues are perforated 14 like other De La Rue stamps. As a matter of fact the perforation is the same as on the first issue, and never altered, while the Queen's Head stamps were in use.

In support of the contention, Mr. Poole omitted to bring forward what seems to me to be equally strong evidence that Messrs. De La Rue did not print the stamps. This is that the colours employed, especially for many shades of the 1d value, are totally different from any used by Messrs. De La Rue for other colonies. When we remember that colours were used again and again for different colonies by Messrs. De La Rue, and that there is hardly any colour which was not repeated, this argument appears to settle the matter.—*Phil. Jour. of Gt. Britain.*

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EDITORIAL.

Why Not?—A suggestion has been made by P. M. Wolsieffer that a proposal be offered to have the convention of both the American Philatelic Society and the American Numismatic Association held in the same place each year at approximately the same time. We believe that this idea has not been broached heretofore, though it seems to be so logical and inviting that surprise is occasioned that it has not been advocated. The advantages to be derived from this community of interests are such as to form a strong argument in favor of the plan. We know that the American Numismatic Association typifies the most important and advanced influence in coin collecting as the American Philatelic Society does in stamp collecting; and the combined attractions of the two meetings will exercise a stronger force than either would singly. The individuality of either organization would not be weakened by the action in concert and while the line of demarkation between the two bodies and their transactions would be drawn sharply, as is proper, the opportunity would be provided to attend both conventions at a minimum of expense. Those who are members of both national organizations, and they are not few in number, would heartily welcome the innovation, we should say, while it would not be without appeal to those who while primarily philatelists are interested in numismaty; and *vice versa*. The similarity of aspects of both pursuits is traditional; in fact, in one or more instances, encased postage stamps, for example, the two studies merge into each other; and in the public mind, stamp collecting and coin collecting are closely associated. The benefits that would accrue from the two meetings would not be monopolized by either body but would be shared mutually. The publicity that the conventions would ensure would be a factor not without weight. We believe that the objections to Mr. Wolsieffer's suggestion cannot be of grave character; and we hope that at least the subject will come up for discussion at Detroit.

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Worth Attention—Elliott Perry, Wayland, Mass., has written us as follows to advance a theory that is novel, if nothing more; and we are not prepared to say that it is not worth serious consideration:

"I am very grateful for the information regarding the 24c National-Continental which you have so kindly gathered and published and wish to thank you for the interest shown.

May I be permitted to ask another question which has occurred to me since writing before? It is, what proof—if any—or reason for belief have we that any of the 24c stamps printed by the Continental Co. were ever issued?

Unfortunately my copy of Mr. Luff's book is not at hand so I am obliged to rely upon memory for the following statement, but I think the figures are substantially correct:—soon after the discontinuance of the 24c stamp (in 1876?), a large quantity of old issues were destroyed, among them about half a million 24c stamps. The records do not state what issues comprised this lot; may it not have included all the 365 thousand Continental stamps? Your English correspondent argues well that 136 thousand is probably the maximum number of Continentals issued and his figures agree closely with the ratio found by the New York student, but I wish the former had gone a little deeper into the printing and distribution figures.

I find 777 thousand total National prints delivered to stamp agent and that before any Continentals were printed 1,082 thousand 24c were distributed to postmasters; that is, the stamp agent distributed 305 thousand more 24c than he received and by halving the next year's distribution this number is increased to 440 thousand probably distributed before any Continentals were printed. What were these stamps if not old issues carried in stock by the stamp agent? If the printing and distribution figures for the previous ten years are available it may be possible to determine just how large a hole this 440 thousand made in the stock of old issues, but certainly unless the old stock was very large it must have been greatly reduced by the time the Continental printing was made.

Now what conclusion is to be drawn from the fact that the stamp agent was distributing old stock at a rate of about one in three—does it indicate that some 90 thousand, (two thirds of 135,000), Continental 24c were issued, or does it indicate that he was putting out all the National Co.'s product and that the half million left on hand and later destroyed included all the Continentals?

I do not think that the few grilled 24c known to be Continentals need be considered unless it is known that they were delivered to the stamp agent and issued thru the regular channels.

I thank you for your many courtesies and trust that more information may be forthcoming."

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A Fiji Bit—H. D. Curtis, Manlius, New York, writes: "I append a little extract that I happened upon which I think will be of interest to philatelists. I have been reading with interest 'At Home in Fiji' by C. F. Gordon Cumming, published by A. C. Armstrong & Son, 714 Broadway, New York. She is a most interesting writer and in her letter dated Nov. 1, 1875, from Levuka, Isle of Ovalau, Fiji, she speaks as follows about quaint postage stamps:

"Among other peculiarities of this small colony, our postage stamps would amuse you. They were struck by the Government which crowned Thakombau* king, and bear his initials, C. R. (Cacobau Rex). In the present necessity for rigid economy no new stamps are issued, but the letters V. R. partially obliterate the C. R., or rather, blend with them."

*In the Fiji language one of the sounds the letter "c" has is that of "th", another rule is that before "b" an "m" is always pronounced, so Miss Cumming has spelled Cacobau phonetically as Thakombau, and that is the way it is pronounced. Miss Cumming spent years in Fiji with Sir Arthur Hamilton Gordon and his family while he occupied the position of first Governor of Fiji. If you will look on the map you will see that the large island is called Viti Levu. In that language Levu means large and Viti means Fiji, the word Fiji as we now have it being a Tonganese garbled attempt to pronounce Viti (Veetee). So much for what C. R. and Fiji mean.

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Misrepresenting a Candidate—Nearly two months ago, a paragraph was published complaining that it was unfair to call Chas. R. Morris, Washington, candidate for secretary of the American Philatelic Society, a "hireling" of the WEEKLY. This explanation seems to have had some effect for these charges are not pressed now with the spirit of truculence that marked them at first. We said: All that Mr. Morris has ever done from a news viewpoint has been done gratuitously and with no expectation or desire for remuneration, we sincerely believe. A contemporary challenged this statement and said that it was evasive because the expression "news viewpoint" was used. If the words are to be so closely analyzed, the remark will be made more embracive; and we now say that all the items and articles that Mr. Morris has contributed were included under the classification. Clearly, Mr. Morris is under no obligation to the WEEKLY. From our estimate of Mr. Morris, we think that he would be absolutely impartial in his conduct of office should he be elected and the WEEKLY chosen official journal; by no means would he favor the WEEKLY without warrant nor would this paper ask undue or special privilege for itself. As secretary, Mr. Morris could not direct the choice of official journal, even though he desired to do so, under the new system of balloting whereby the paper is chosen by vote; he has only his personal vote the same as the rest of us. Mr. Morris seeks the office and does so knowing full well the amount of work entailed and the comparatively small remuneration for the services; if elected and he neglects the affairs of office—a contingency too remote for consideration in our opinion—the future of this ambitious man will be clouded. Regarding the issue selfishly, the election of Mr. Morris would mean that he would be forced to curtail if not wholly discontinue his writings for this and other papers, in all probability, as his time would be so wholly claimed by his A. P. S. work. It is poor policy to attempt to misrepresent Mr. Morris in this way; it is noticed that no attacks are made upon his fitness for office.

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Real Colors—At a meeting of the Birmingham Philatelic Society held several months ago, a daylight session was held at the residence of one of the members to discuss the color question. Some of the standard colors were shown and also the same with different ratios of white, not to mention compound colors or hues; and these colors were in the form of dry color in boxes to the number of one hundred. In his minutes the secretary said: "Although perhaps not convenient for the ordinary collector, they would form the ideal 'colour chart' for the specialist or a society." Further, the various colors were exemplified by the stamps themselves; one member had purple and allied shades, another green; a third, blue; a fourth, red, while the mixed colors were assigned to other members. The exhibition of the actual colors with varying ratios of white must have been instructive as we believe that in their wish to be precise in their color designations, some of those who describe stamps overshoot the mark. Roughly a tint or tone is produced by a dilution of white but a shade is a mixture of black with it. A standard red may be given a range of tones all of which may still be described as red but there is a tendency to deviate from it on the score of precision by not a few of the philatelic writers. This nicety of description confuses rather than assists the reader to an understanding of the exact color or compound.

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(At a recent meeting of the Washington Society one of the stamp clerks of the Washington post-office entertained the members with extracts from letters received in the course of business hours. They have a philatelic flavoring and by courtesy of Chas. R. Morris we submit several for the delectation of our readers.—Ed.)

All dealers in stamps and editors of query departments in stamp papers have frequent causes for laughter in the odd requests received from novice collectors but there are few men who have more odd requests along stamp lines than the man at the stamp window of a large post office, some from collectors who ought to know better, some from persons who are buying for collectors and some from the general public who know a stamp only as the piece of paper that takes their letter or parcel to its destination. A few illustrations of these different classes may be amusing.

A lady whose aunt was going abroad for the first time asked the retail clerk for some English, French, German and Italian stamps so that she could write to her aunt while she was in those different countries.

"A "condition crank" from Chicago (this is hard on Editor Severn's home city) wrote to the Postmaster at Washington for a full sheet of the Hudson-Fulton Imperforates and closed with "I wish them well centered or not at all".

Speaking of the condition crank reminds me of another who sent for five sheets of the Lincoln stamps but as they were not centered as he wanted them he stuck the sheets together in various places so that they would not be returned to him but as the Post Office Dept. don't take back stamps even if the centering isn't to the liking of the collectors, he had the fun of soaking them apart again before he could use them for postage.

During May of this year the Postmaster here was requested to send a full sheet of each of the Special Delivery stamps from the first ever issued to the present ones with the "09" added. The letter was apparently from a boy who wanted to go into business as it ended with "If you can't send all, send what you can and I will remit upon receipt."

A society lady of Washington sent her maid to the Post Office here with a piece of her note paper of a delicate lavender shade with request for one hundred note size stamped envelopes to match. If she was the kind of a lady who had had her own way about everything as a girl, there were probably doings at her house upon the maid's return.

A request received the middle of last December reads "ples too send me a ful set of the alska Pacifc centenal comemarative stamps from one cent too 15 cent. I want them with the label at top of the stamp and the price down below."

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Although the Postmaster-General of Peru received authority early in 1851 to provide postage stamps for the prepayment of correspondence, it was not until the latter part of 1857 that the necessary rules and regulations were published, and a supply of stamps ordered to be provided.

For some reason or other—perhaps, to make a trial of the new system without incurring the expense of printing stamps— the regular Government issue did not take place until March, 1858, the stamps which we are about to consider being used to bridge over part of the interval, viz., from 1st December, 1857, to the end of the following February.

The postal authorities had evidently been in communication with the representative of the Pacific Steam Navigation Company, because a suggestion was made in November that a trial should be made by using a supply of this Company's stamps, which could be obtained for nothing, and had not been, and might not be required by the Company.

The design of these stamps, which are oblong (26 mm. by 21 mm.) in shape, consists of a steamer, within a wide elaborate engine-turned oval border, in a rectangular frame; the weight of the letter ("½ oz." or "1 oz.") is shown in white on the upper part of the oval band, and the postage ("1 Rl" or 2 Rls") in a corresponding position below; and at the four corners of the stamp are the initial letters of the Company's full name—"P," "S," "N," "C." The vessel is steaming to the left on the lower value, and to the right on the Two Reales.

The dies were line-engraved, the work being of excellent quality, and the stamps which are imperforate were printed direct from the plates.

M. Moens says that the Company used these stamps in 1858 and 1859, and this opinion is quite consistent with the agent's statement that they had not—*i.e.*, in November, 1857—been in circulation, but is opposed to the assertion by the South American Philatelic Society, in its works on the Stamps of Peru published in 1887, that the Company never used them at all.

The stamps are known in the following colours: 1 real, in blue or bluish wove, in carmine on white laid, and in blue, carmine, yellow and green on white wove; 2 reales, in red on bluish wove, in blue on white laid, and in blue, carmine, yellow green and brown on white wove paper.

It is stated that all these varieties, except the yellow and green stamps, have been seen with genuine obliterations denoting actual use; but Mr. T. W. Hall—to whose researches, as embodied in a paper written by him some years ago, I am indebted for the greater part of my information—doubts the (philatelic) authenticity of all but the two on bluish paper. This paper was evidently not bluish originally, but has become blued from the same causes as those which affected all early printings in red and blue, by Messrs. Perkins, Bacon & Co., whose work (in the absence of evidence to the contrary) I may be forgiven for believing these stamps to be.

However, one thing is certain, that the two stamps on coarse blued paper—1 real, blue, and 2 reales, red—were employed by the Peruvian Government as a provisional issue, pending the manufacture of a supply of the regular stamps; and it is definitely stated in the *Peru* Handbook of Moens that these, and these two only, were used either by the Company or as provisionals, all the other impressions being essays.

It seems to be admitted now, that some of these stamps—that is, the two on blued paper—were used by the Pacific Steam Navigation Company, and copies are known cancelled with that Company's mark, "an oval, 19 mm. in depth by 25½ mm. in length, composed of three straight lines and one curved line top and bottom, two curved lines at each end of the oval surrounding a figure in Roman letters (probably the distinctive number of the carrying vessel)." Evidently, as can be seen by inspection of this cancellation, the word "Roman" is a slip of the pen for "Arabic," the particular figure noted being "6"; a postmark with figure "7" is also known.

The usual cancellation of the Peruvian Post Office, however is "LIMA" in Roman capitals, in an oval surrounded with dots; also sans serif "LIMA," with date, enclosed in a circle. "CALLAO" is known surrounded with dots, but without the frame; and, no doubt, "CHORRILLOS" exists as well. Either stamp genuinely cancelled is rare, the 2 reales especially so.

Naturally the forger—and from a very early date too—has tried his hand with these stamps: I remember seeing lithographed counterfeits—wretched things they were!—forty years ago; but times have improved since then, and there are doubtless well-executed imitations in existence, but even these, unless from line-engraved plates, should be easy of detection even apart from actual comparison with one of the beautifully finished originals.

These stamps are of a class which may, strictly speaking, be termed "Locals," though that is a word which nowadays is somewhat condemnatory, applied, as it generally is, to those gaudy and ephemeral emissions solemnly "decreed" by some wretched little office, which does little beyond issuing the stamps, situate in some out-of-the-way corner of the globe unknown to everyone who is not a stamp collector—I cannot say "philatelist" if he collects such trash.

The Pacific Steam Navigation Co.'s stamps, "locals" though they are, stand on a very different footing, because not only were they printed in anticipation of a *bona-fide* use by the Company, but they actually became the first issue of an important State in South America, though their franking powers were, as being part of the experiment, confined within certain limits.

If philatelists were to take strict views regarding the franking power of stamps, as to whether beyond the country of origin or not, many issued would be relegated to the "local" division, as not having carrying power into foreign countries, and an immense number of stamps would be "disfranchised"; happily, however, the somewhat opprobrious term "local" is reserved, as I have hinted, for stamps doing duty along a strictly defined route, not served by the Government, and which are the outcome of a private enterprise, often *bona-fide* established to meet a real want in the means of communication—an enterprise which would be just as successful *postally*, if payments were made in cash and not by stamps.

Pacific Steam Navigation Company stamps are, however, above every suspicion, and are as collectable as the "Fiji Times Express," "Samoa Express," or similar issues; and far more so than the great majority of the speculative labels, such as "Don Quixote," "Prince Henry," "Centenary," and other rubbish, even if their franking powers extend beyond the country which foists them upon collectors.—*Griebert's Phil. Notes and Offers.*

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UNITED STATES.—Henry F. King writes: "I bought June 21, at the post-office, a 4c wrapper, on which "United States" reads plainly "UNITED STAIES." It was no doubt originally a "T", but as the crossbar is entirely off, it would seem as though this is as much of a variety as many other "lines", "breaks" etc. Probably five or ten years from now the above may be catalogued at $10 or more.

J. N. Morse reports having found "another variety of the 1c card, but this is on the current *buff*, not on the blue. I find the "E" of "ONE" in the stamp has the S. E. corner very much enlarged to the right. The extra size is so well defined that we might easily suppose that the plate was made that way. As worn plate varieties of U. S. are so infrequent and infinitismal, this seems to be a little more important.

Arthur W. Line has shown us a strip of five of the current 1c stamps, which are on very thick paper. They are on the top line of the sheet, the outside perforation being placed 2½mm. from the frame line of the stamps at the right and 3½mm. from the frame at the left.

AFGHANISTAN.—In No. 993 we chronicled several new stamps, and can now give some particulars regarding the parcel post stamps, taken from *Ewen's Weekly*:

The design consists of a double-lined frame (width 4¼mm.) with a small circular flower in each corner, the rest of the frame being made up of crossed diagonal lines. The centre contains a mosque within a star and circle, as before, but further enclosed within a U-shaped device as in the 2-abasi stamp of 1907. Underneath the central design is a scroll bent upwards at each end bearing the Arabic inscription "Yak pao do rupiya kabali" (one quarter, two kabali rupees) and beneath it "Tikat parcel."

The inscriptions on the parcel stamps are thus transcribed and translated by Sir David Masson.

3 shahi brown.
Nim—khurd seh shahi (Half a khurd, 3 shahis).
6 shahi, grey-brown.
Yak khurd yak Qiran (One khurd, one kran).
1 rupee, orange.
Nim pao yak rupiya kabali (Half a quarter, one Cabuli rupee).
2 rupees bright red.

All have *Tikat parcel* in Persian at foot.

The weights are thus expressed:
Nim khurd=½ chitakh Indian=1-16 lb. English.
Khurd =1 chitakh Indian=⅛lb. English
Nim pao=2 chitakhs " =¼lb. "
Pao =4 " " =½lb. "

The *pao* (quarter) therefore means a quarter of a *seer*, the *seer* of 16 chitakhs being equal to 2 lbs. English.

As regards the money, 6 shahis=1 qiran (kran), and 2 qirans=1 cabuli rupee. One cabuli or Afghanistan rupee equals 1 shilling or 25% less than the Indian rupee.

The parcel stamps are printed in vertical rows of five, but it is not known how many vertical rows compose the sheets.

The 2 abasi postage stamp is stated to bear the following inscription:
(i) In Persian, *dak Khana* (Post Office).
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AUSTRIA.—Another celebration card is sent us by Mr. Schachne. We believe this is to note the International Huntsmen's meeting at Vienna.

It is a white card with a plain border of square dots—three headlines ornamented with oak leaves and acorns—current stamp at right and a black eight-pointed star at left. The reverse shows the old Emperor in hunting costume and a dead deer at his feet.

Post Card.

5h green on white.

Ewen's Weekly chronicles the fact that the 20h, 30h, 50h and 100h postage due stamps have been issued on unsurfaced paper, in addition to the 25h noted in No. 1017.

AZORES.—We are now able to describe the new cards noted in No. 1015, as they have just been received from Mr. Schachne.

The 10r and double cards are now without the ornamental (?) heading around and at left of stamp. They now have a plain curved headline above "10 Reis" with stamp at right and arms (new) at left. Below this is the divided face similar to last issue. The 20 and double are very similar to last except the stamp, a new form of type and color of card which is now white.

BELGIUM.—We have received information regarding the new charity stamps from the New England Stamp Co., the C. E. Hussman Co. and the Frank P. Brown Co. *L'Annonce Timbrologique* says that these stamps are printed in sheets of 100, the first printing being 3,000,000 of each value. They will be available until June 30, 1911.

BERMUDA.—The *Colonial Office Journal* says that the new ½d stamp will be immediately followed by the 1d, 6d and 1sh in the same design. No other values have yet been ordered.

BRAZIL.—Charles A. Townsend has shown us a horizontal pair of the 50c olive green of 1890-93, imperforate between.

CEYLON.—The *Colonial Office Journal* says: "A very extensive alteration will shortly be made in the stamps issued by the Colony. Separate telegraph and foreign bill stamps are to be abolished and postage stamps will be used in their place. This entails a revision of the values represented in the series of postage stamps. Six new denominations will be introduced, *i.e.*, 10 cents, 50 cents, Rs. 1, Rs. 2 and Rs. 10, and five denominations for which there is comparatively small demand will be abolished, *i.e.*, 4 cents, 12 cents, 75 cents, Rs. 1.50 and Rs. 2.25. This will leave 13 denominations of postage stamps which will be used for all postal and telegraph purposes, and for the purpose of foreign bill stamps; of the above stamps new plates will be provided for the existing 2 cents, 3 cents, 5 cents and 6 cents stamps and for the six new denominations referred to above. The 10 cents, 15 cents, 25 cents, 30 cents, 50 cents and Rs. 1 stamps will be printed in sheets of 240, and 5 cents stamps in sheets of 480, and the remaining values in sheets of 120 stamps.

The colours of the stamps other than the 3 cents, 6 cents and 15 cents stamps, which will be in the Postal Union colours, will be as follows, and the figures of value will be in colour on a plain ground.

Value.	Key Plate.	Duty.	Paper.
2 cents	Orange.	Orange.	White.
5 "	Purple.	Purple.	"
10 "	Sage-green.	Purple.	"
25 "	Grey.	Grey.	"
30 "	Blue-purple.	Green.	"
50 "	Brown.	Brown.	"
Rs. 1	Purple.	Purple.	Yellow.
2	Red.	Red.	"
5	Black.	Black.	Green.
10	Black.	Black.	Red.

The paper will be unsurfaced with the possible exception of 5 cents value."

COLOMBIA.—The Commemorative set, announced several weeks since, is now slated to appear July 20, and will consist of seven values, ½c, 1c, 2c, 5c, 10c, 20c and 50c. The stamps will bear the portraits of Girardot, Ricaurte, Sucre, Bolivar and other worthies connected with the struggle of Spanish America for freedom from the control of the mother country.

COSTA RICA.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us another value of the new Costa Rican set. It is similar to the other values in design, and has the portrait of Jesus Jimenez.

Adhesive.

1 colon dark brown.

CRETE.—Philip Wolff has shown us the 10c, Scott's Type A5, surcharged "Ellas" with the type of 1908.

ECUADOR.—George Maples shows us a copy of the 1907-1908 25c revenue, surcharged "Correos—Cinco—Centavos" in three lines in an oval, similar to Scott's No. 155. *Champion's Bulletin* also notes the 5c revenue of the same series surcharged as No. 155.

Provisional Adhesives.

1c on 5c green.
5c on 25c violet.

ITALY.—*Offices in Crete.*—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 40c brown of 1908, surcharged "La Canea," in black.

PHILIPPINES.—J. N. Morse reports having seen a 25c cigar stamp of the U. S., with "Philippine Islands" overprinted in black block letters on the right hand half.

SALVADOR.—Another value of the new set has been shown us by the New England Stamp Co., the design being the same as those previously cancelled.

Adhesive.

3c yellow and black.

SIAM.—The new set, with values in satangs has made its appearance, and two values have been shown us by Fred C. De Jesus. They were put into circulation in Bangkok, May 15. The values are 2, 3, 6, 14 and 28 satangs. The design, the same for all values, was designed by M. Tamagno, an Italian, Superintendent Architect of H. S. M.'s Public Works Department. The stamps were printed in Leipzig, Germany. The design represents some fabled deity, with wings, and talons holding two dragons, supporting a circular frame having a portrait of the King, facing to the left. A broad white band at the top has "Siam" in both

40 Lagos 1903, ½p green..... .20
41 " 1903, 1p violet and red..... .08
42 " 1903, 2p violet and ultra ..... .25
43 " 1903, 2½p violet and blue..... .20
44 " 1903, 3p violet and orange..... .25
45 " 1903, 6p violet..... 1.85
46 " 1903, 1sh green and black..... 3.75

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Specials for This Week

26 Cuba 1866, 40c rose $1.98
62 " 1874, 1p carmine..... .62
153 " 1897, 20c violet..... .10
159 " 1898, 4m orange brown ..... .30
164 " " 4c orange..... .32
200a " " 10c on 1c 5.00
244 Belgium 1902, 3fr black and ult..... .06
356 Ecuador 1897, 1c on 5c, black surcharge .09
358 4c on 20c, .02; 359, 10c gray..... .02
361 1s orange, .03; 5s brown..... .07
10s vermilion, .11; 10c on 50c..... .07
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" 832 to 842, 7 varieties 1.32
50c Passage Ticket, .07; 50c Surety Bond.. .03
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$1.30 Foreign Exch., .40; $1.50..... .08
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$3 Charter P., .10; $5 " ..... .40
$10 Mortgage, .48; 1c Second Issue..... .28
$2 Second Is., .28; $2.50 " ..... .18
$3 " .68; $5 " ..... .40

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English and native characters, and another band at the bottom has the value also in three languages. The stamps are very handsomely printed, and are much superior in every way to the previous issue. They are printed on white wove paper, unwatermarked, and perforated 14.

Adhesives.

3 satangs dark green and light green.
6s carmine.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—Our foreign contemporaries are illustrating the $500 stamp recently issued, and it appears that the plate of 4sh Nyassaland stamp was used, simply changing the name of of the colony, and the value.

TRANSVAAL.—The Frank P. Brown Co. has shown us the 2d value, all in one color.

Adhesive.

2d violet.

URUGUAY.—This country has joined the ranks of the Spanish American countries which are to celebrate the Centenary of Independence by the issue of a series of commemorative stamps. Two values of the new set have been shown us by the Scott Stamp & Coin Co., both being of the same striking design. The stamps are a large upright oblong, and show a centaur holding aloft his broken chains, the background being formed by the rays of the rising sun. This is contained in a large oval, the centaur forming the dominant figure. "Uruguay" appears in a curved tablet above the oval, and the value appears on a tablet thus, "Cinco 5 Cents," below the oval, and suspended by chains hung over the oval. The dates "1810" and "1910" are in the lower corners and in the upper corners, crowns and various insignia. The stamps are printed on white wove paper, watermarked large lozenges, with "O S" in script capitals in each lozenge, and perforated 11½. The Scott Co.'s correspondent says they were issued May 23, and would only be available for postage until May 29.

Adhesives.

2c carmine.
5c dark blue.

We are also indebted to H. Cormack for used copies of the commemorative stamps noted above.

HOW TO ARRANGE A STAMP COLLECTION.

A Paper read before the Northampton Philatelic Society March 9th, 1910.

By W. NICHOLS.

In writing a paper giving a few general hints as to the arrangement of a collection of stamps it is necessary to look at the matter from three different standpoints, *viz.:* that of the beginner, the general-collector and the specialist.

Most stamp-collections are begun when at school, and on obtaining his first hundred or so specimens the young stamp collector will probably invest in one of the numerous types of albums on sale for beginners in the hobby and will most likely get one on the principle of the well-known "Lincoln" or "Strand" Albums in which the pages are ruled with blank spaces of varying size and a certain number of pages allotted to each stamp-issuing country according to the probable requirements of the collector at this stage.

Of course, with albums of this type, there is not sufficient room for any fancy scheme of arrangement but as far as possible the stamps should be mounted in chronological order, and in many cases a line of space might be reserved for each issue or more if necessary. Naturally more room should be left for modern issues and common stamps than for the rarer early issues of which, at this stage, the collector is not likely to possess many specimens.

It is, I presume hardly necessary to point out that stamps should be mounted by means of properly prepared hinges, obtainable from all dealers; the days when collectors stuck their stamps tight down to the album pages, with glue or similar preparations, have happily now gone past forever.

Where the collector possesses a set of a particular issue, they should be arranged in order of value, and not mixed up with those of other issues, as is so often to be seen in the albums of young collectors; the first specimens obtained of a particular country being stuck in the first places on the page, and others following on in the order in which they are obtained, not, as should be the case, in order of issue and value. Catalogues, simplified or otherwise are now within the reach of every collector, so that there is no excuse for arranging (?) a collection in such a crude manner, and it is a matter for congratulation that the majority of small collections are now certainly much more neatly arranged than was the case a few years ago, and the proportion of damaged copies to be found in the average collection is also smaller. Damaged specimens should never be placed in one's collection, as a blank space looks far better than a portion of a stamp put in just to fill up. Heavily postmarked copies should also be weeded out as opportunity occurs, and replaced by more lightly canceled specimens, if obtainable. As the collection gets larger the owner will have to remove it to a larger album, and will now have to choose between the printed albums, giving spaces for all varieties, or a series of blank albums. A very large proportion of collectors with say about 3000 specimens and upwards use these printed albums, by which, I mean, those on the principle of either the well-known "Imperial," giving spaces for all varieties, or the "Standard" and other albums, which exclude minor varieties of shade, watermark and perforation.

The chief advantages of these albums are easy identification and quick arrangement as there is usually a catalogue on one side of the page and numbered spaces to correspond on the other.

As regards arrangement, there is no scope here for individual taste, the stamps merely requiring to be mounted in the proper spaces as marked out by the album publishers.

The resulting effect is usually quite artistic and satisfactory, *when the page is filled up,* but until this desirable state is reached, it is apt to have a somewhat patchy appearance for a very long time as in many cases spaces are provided for stamps which are practically unobtainable except by the expenditure of very large sums of money. Another disadvantage of this type of album is that unless you care to go to the expense of duplicate volumes you cannot conveniently collect both unused and used specimens, you must take either one or the other or else mix up used and unused, which is not desirable.

Undoubtedly the most satisfactory albums for the medium and advanced collector are those on the blank loose-leaf principle which are now obtainable at most reasonable prices in a variety of styles.

With these albums naturally it takes longer to arrange a collection, as constant reference to the catalogue is necessary and a certain amount of particulars as to date of issue, etc., need to be written in; but the result is far more satisfactory, and as new issues come out fresh pages can be inserted just where required so that your album grows with your collection.

The pages of these albums are usually about 11 inches square and are generally printed with a fancy border with bracket for name of country, leaving a space for mounting stamps of about 10x9 inches. This usually consists of faint quadrillé ruling by means of which it is easy to mount the specimens absolutely evenly and at equal distances apart. A page will hold from 12 to 25 stamps, according to size, without overcrowding, but a wide spacing, if practicable, is always much more effective than in any way crowding your stamps.

A very good plan is to allot a page to each issue and if collecting both used and unused to put these on separate pages, although with a short set of say 6 to 8 values, unused might be at the top of the page and used at the bottom or vice-versa.

When mounting up a large general collection on loose leaves it is, of course, practically impossible to give as much space to each issue as is done with a special collection of a group of, or possibly only one country; otherwise the space taken would tend to make the collection very bulky and unwieldly.

An arrangement similar to the printed albums might in many cases be used: i. e. about five rows of four or five stamps each to page, alternate rows having one more or less than the preceding one, as a series of rows each containing exactly the same number of stamps is apt to give the page rather a too mathematical and stiff appearance. Low values up to 1s or equivalent value could often be mounted in say, two rows and the higher values in two more below, but of course the arrangement depends very much on the number of stamps in a set so that is difficult to lay down any hard and fast rule.

In cases where the lower values are unicoloured and the higher ones printed in two or more colours, these should be separated and arranged in different rows and this would also apply to where a set consists of two or three types, perhaps varying in size or shape, with three or four values in each type, as is the case with many recent French Colonial Issues.

Among many British Colonials now appearing under the new Colonial scheme, some values are printed on white, and others on coloured papers, and these should, I think, be kept separate when arranging, except when such arrangement interferes with the order of value, as may sometimes occur.

With both the general and the specialist collector there is often some difficulty as to the best arrangement for shades when mounting up an issue in which these occur.

Some say arrange all shades that are catalogued on one page and any others you may possess on another one, but the drawbacks to this rule is the great difficulty of allotting a shade to the particular colour-name by which the compiler of the catalogue is pleased to call it, and as there is unfortunately no recognized standard of colour-names, what one man calls bistre another would call light-brown or one describes a stamp as vermilion and the other scarlet, and so on.

A fairly satisfactory way when there are shades in practically all values of an issue, as for example in the first rectangular issue of the Cape of Good Hope, or in the 1885 issue of Malta, is to allot a line to each value and arrange all the different shades you may possess along this, working from the deepest at one end to the lightest at the other, and you will probably find that you are showing all the shades catalogued and perhaps a few more, although you may not be able to identify them with the particular colour-name given in the catalogue. If necessary, of course, more than one line could be given to each value, but except in very exceptional cases you will not find more than about five distinct shade varieties of a particular stamp.

All the foregoing remarks are intended to apply to single stamps, but many collectors, more especially specialists, go in largely for pairs, blocks, or in some cases whole sheets of their favourite countries, which of course require somewhat different arrangement to single copies. With regard to pairs, not more than 12 should be placed on a page and an arrangement similar to that for single specimens can advantageously be followed. The most usual form in which blocks are taken is the ever popular block of four, and undoubtedly the most effective arrangement for these is five to a page, one at each corner and one in the middle, and in some cases a very good effect may be produced by filling up the gaps between the blocks with single stamps, as I will show you when I pass round a few specimen pages of various schemes of arrangement. Generally speaking, however, it is better to give separate pages for singles, pairs, and blocks than to mix them up together. Where the collector takes large blocks, panes, or sheets of stamps, of course a separate page is required for each one and in most cases sheets would require folding even then, except where the stamps are printed in small sheets of from 12 to 20 specimens as is the case in certain countries, for example—Nevis, Gambia, early Labuan, etc.

The same applies to stamps on entire original envelope; when these are collected you cannot put more than two on a page at the outside, and if you go in largely for these, your collection will take up a lot of room, and unless the envelope is required to show a special postmark, or use in some uncommon way, I do not see that there is very much advantage in this form of collecting.

A most important item as regards the arrangement of a specialized collection is the writing in of particulars of issue notes, etc. to each page. Neat and legible handwriting is most necessary for this, as no information at all looks better than untidy and carelessly written notes. A great deal of information is not required, but date of issue, watermark, and perforation, should most certainly be given and particulars as to where and by whom printed, method of producing, etc. are very acceptable when looking through a collection, but care should be taken not to put down anything of which you are not quite certain, in doubtful cases, only absolutely reliable authorities should be quoted, and not one's own personal opinion which may or may not be correct.

General information in regard to a particular issue is usually more effective when written at the top of the page, but particulars of a minor variety or error should be written against the particular specimen to which you wish to call attention, otherwise doubt may arise as to which stamp is referred to, as you cannot expect other people to be as well acquainted with the varieties of your favourite country as you may be yourself.

In conclusion, I might say that a good collection of stamps is well worthy of a really good album, and that even a small collection with practically no rarities, presents quite an imposing appearance when well arranged in a neat and suitable album which need not necessarily be very expensive.—*Stamp Collectors Fortnightly.*

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BOSTON, MASS., June 21, 1910.

The 228th (regular) meeting of the society was called to order at the Club Room at 7.45 this evening. President Wylie occupied the chair and 31 members and friends were present.

The following report was presented:

Report of Library Com. for June.

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The Seybold Library has been received by the committee who are now getting it in shape for use.

Respectfully submitted,
C. K. B. NEVIN,
C. A. HOWES,
A. W. BATCHELDER.

Mr. Howes gave an idea of the extent of the Seybold bequest, and Mr. Batchelder announced the gift to the society of new book cases for its reception and a new book plate for use with it. Mr. Carpenter said that upon amalgamation with our own it would place us in the front rank in regard to Society Libraries.

The President appointed as permanent Committee on Anniversary Celebration, Messrs. A. W. Batchelder, W. O. Wylie, F. S. Cook, C. A. Howes, L. L. Green, E. M. Carpenter and C. K. B. Nevin. Mr. Batchelder reported that the committee had begun work already.

The resignation of J. M. Bartels as International Secretary because of removal from the city was received. It was voted to ask its withdrawal, and Mr. Bartels consented to serve the year out.

The following were elected members:
No. 528. F. C. Koehnle.
No. 529. Thos. B. Stillman
No. 530. Edward F. Coffin.
No. 531. Alfred C. Sampson.
No. 532. Willard B. Savary

The following applications were posted: Mr. Charles R. Higbee, Jr., Mr. Michel A. Yaremdji, Capt. Arthur H. Bryant, U. S. A.

Mr. Rothfuchs made a farewell address to the Society as he is retiring from the stamp business and is removing to Seattle. President Wylie replied, expressing the regrets of the Society at losing the active support of one who has for so long been identified with it, both as a member and in various official capacities from President down. It was voted to have suitable resolutions prepared to present to Mr. Rothfuchs.

After adjournment Mr. Green exhibited some of his original covers and Mr. Morse some of his rarities in postal cards.

C. A. HOWES, Sec.

WASHINGTON PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

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Regular meetings 2nd Wednesday, Room 210, Corcoran Bldg., 533 15th St., N. W.

The 54th regular meeting was held June 9. Eighteen members and sixteen visitors were present. The invitations of Messrs. Johnson, Whitney and Morris to meet at their homes in July, August and September, respectively, were accepted. The Librarian reported that a bookcase had been purchased. It was decided to continue the present practice of sending papers and magazines to the members. Messrs. H. Hammelman, M. G. Metz, A. N. Caudell and Frank A. Loeffler applied for membership. A special program was presented by the Committee on Entertainment. Mr. Strasburger gave an interesting talk on "A Trip Through the West Indies and Canal Zone by a Stamp Collector". Mr Adams "A Plea for Esperanto". Mr. Sahm read extracts showing amusing requests of Stamp Collectors. President Johnson spoke about "The Washington Philatelic Society" and Mr. Morris outlined some plans for future entertainments. Refreshments were served and a vote of thanks tendered those who assisted in making the meeting a success. The verdict of all was that it was an exceedingly pleasant evening.

The next meeting, July 13, will be held at the home of President Johnson, 1318 Columbia Road. Let us have a good attendance.

J. FINNEY ENGLE, Sec.

NEW YORK STAMP SOCIETY.

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NEW YORK, June 16, 1910.

The meeting was called to order by President Skinner at 9 P. M. with 18 members present. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read. Several communications were received and acted upon. The rest of the evening was devoted to the exhibition of Porto Rico which proved a truly rare treat. A very interesting paper on this subject was read by Mr. Isenstein. Mr. Schlesinger showed his magnificent general collection. Don't forget the auction at the next meeting, July 7th. Mr. Isenstein was awarded first prize for his collection of Porto Rico.

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There are so many recreation features on the island that it is difficult to decide where to begin to enjoy them. Admission to this and to every other park is absolutely free.

Right where you leave the steamer there is a boat livery owned by the city and row boats and canoes may be secured at a slight rental. Detroit is one of the greatest canoe centers in the world and Belle Isle, with its miles of artificial lakes and canals, is the ideal place for this delightful sport. On pleasant afternoons and evenings there are hundreds of the graceful craft drifting lazily along—an ever changing kaleidoscope of life and color. The fascinating vivacity of the scene reminds you, in a way, of the famous Henley regattas.

Belle Isle is the people's property, controlled absolutely in all its departments by the city. Do not lose sight of this fact. The few restrictive rules add to the rational enjoyment of the masses.

In the woods, along the canals and little lakes, as well as on the shores of the great river itself, there are countless picnic parties. Entire families come to the island by the boats, or, if it seems preferable, they can walk by means of the substantial iron bridge on stone piers which connects it with the city. This bridge is a little more than a half mile long—just a pleasant walk. Should you wish to ride across, however, you can take a phaeton or a motor bus for three cents (1½d). A trifle more will secure you a ride around the entire island—something over five miles.

Note the picnic parties with their lunch baskets, spending perhaps the entire day. See the groups of laughing children romping and playing on the swings, see-saws, merry-go-rounds and other machinery for youthful enjoyment, or driving the little pony carts.

Now you come upon a very wide, level, open space where the city maintains a number of baseball diamonds, tennis courts and football fields.

Do you take an interest in flowers? One of the finest horticultural buildings in America is located here. We have an aquarium, than which there is but one larger in America, where everything from a tadpole to a seal may be noted. The zoological gardens are well stocked with levies from the animal kingdom—herds of deer and buffalo, ostriches, monkeys; indeed the full equipment of a menagerie.

The city of Detroit recently opened on the island one of the best bath houses in America, only to find it entirely inadequate to the demands made upon it by our citizens. Plans have already been drawn to double the capacity of this imposing structure. By paying the small fee of ten cents (5d) you can secure a private dressing room, towels and a swimming suit. On warm days upwards of 4000 men, women and children take a plunge in the cool waters of the river at this point alone.

Except for the special privileges, such as riding across the bridge or using the facilities of the boat and bath houses, everything is free for the asking—the use of the various adjuncts of sport being regulated only by the priority of request.

But where shall we stop in our talk about this the most unique and beautiful park in America? We have not mentioned the band concerts given five or six times a week during the summer by a splendid organization in the employ of the city. We have not mentioned the casino, an architecturally beautiful building, so located as to spread before one seated on its broad verandas the ever changing panorama of the commerce of the Great Lakes. Suffice it to say that the people of Detroit regard Belle Isle as a priceless possession. They show their love for it by flocking to it in thousands every day; yet the island is so large that there is never any crowding. Nature has bestowed her gifts with a lavish hand. They are genuinely appreciated and most liberally used.

In these few words regarding the island, we might seem to have neglected the possibilities of the river itself, but this should not be forgotten. Rowing is a sport of never failing popularity on the Detroit river. The course off Belle Isle is one of the finest in America and on regatta days the shores are lined with thousands of people cheering their favorite crews.

The water is dotted with all kinds of crafts. There are the palatial yacht and numberless catboats, running from 16 feet in length upwards. There is the fast motor boat cutting through the clear waters at 20 or 30 miles an hour—adding a spectacular touch to the exhilarating sport which is a part of Detroit's life.

All these things, of course, mean races and regattas without number. There is a friendly rivalry between Detroit men and the crack oarsmen and sailors of Canada, which results in international contests each summer.

The winter season in Detroit is brief, but it brings with it outdoor sports galore. Perhaps the swiftest sport of all, unless it be flying machines, is ice boating. Lake St. Clair offers clear and uninterrupted stretches of miles for these white-winged flyers. But the most popular cold weather fun in Detroit is ice skating. Particularly at Belle Isle, where the canals and small lakes are kept in perfect condition by the city, which also maintains a pavilion for the comfort and convenience of the people.

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Do not suppose that the outdoor possibilities of Detroit are exhausted when we have described Belle Isle. Palmer Park, to the north of the town, is one of Detroit's most important and attractive possessions. It is a densely wooded tract of 140 acres, reached by tram cars from any part of the city for five cents (2½d). Like Belle Isle, it is a favorite resort for mothers and children.

The city owns in all 29 parks and parkways, with a total of 1,199 acres, judiciously distributed throughout the town so that each neighborhood or community has the benefit of at least one of these breathing spaces. Wherever possible athletic grounds, wading pools, swings and "teeters" have been introduced, and there is no restriction to wholesome play. Some of the public school grounds are equipped with athletic and amusement devices and competent instructors are in attendance to guide the children in their play and training during vacation periods. These play grounds afford a happy solution of the problem of keeping the youngsters from running wild during the weeks that school is not in session.

Detroit's location permits numberless river and lake rides on the many commodious excursion steamers having this city for their point of departure. The rates of fare for an all-day outing on the water are very moderate. One may leave the city in the morning, spend the day on the Detroit river and Lake Erie, with a few hours for the picturesque and vine-clad islands of the lake, where blue water lies all about him as far as the eye can reach, and return home by nine o'clock in the evening.

Another favorite ride is across lovely Lake St. Clair, at the far end of which we find a unique natural phenomenon in that the silt from the swift-flowing St. Clair river which here empties into the lake has spread over the lake bottom for many miles. This occasions an area of shallows or shoal water, popularly known for many years as "The Flats," but more properly designated "The Venice of America." Here there are hundreds of modest summer homes, club houses and hotels, extending indeed beyond the confines of the lake up the shore of the St. Clair river as far as the bustling city of Port Huron. The waters teem with fish—bass, pike, perch and the like. People come here from all over America for their summer outing. A trip to this region and beyond to Port Huron may be made in a day and represents to and fro a journey of about 125 miles, with an hour or so to spend in Port Huron.

Down the Detroit river to Lake Erie there are a number of beautiful islands which are favorite resorts for pleasure seekers and those who enjoy the beauties of nature, seeking a day's recreation at little expense. There is no admission fee to any of the islands near Detroit, the only cost being the fare of the steamer, which is exceptionally low.

But why seem to limit our good times to the water? While the contour of the land in and about Detroit is very level a tram car ride of 15 miles will bring you into a most picturesque country, up hill and down dale, dotted with innumerable lakes of varying size. Radiating from the heart of the business section these electric interurban tram cars make a special appeal to those who seek a day in the woods, a stroll along the country roads, or perchance sailing or angling. The highways along which most of the electric tram cars operate are old military roads built with reference to connecting Detroit with remote posts, since grown to thriving cities. Originally built to make it impossible for the savage Indian to have any of his "fun" they contribute vastly to the fun of the white man who has displaced him.

A ride of a few miles brings one in touch with the most fertile and attractive rural districts in all this section of the country. The wooded tracts and prosperous farms alternate with bustling little villages and larger cities—a panorama of peace, of intense activity, and of thrift and prosperity.

In all this little writeup we have excluded mention of the entertainments and amusements common to large cities, such as the theaters, admission to which varies in price here as elsewhere, the libraries, the art museums, etc., which are free. We must not neglect to speak of the Y. M. C. A. building, the largest in the world devoted exclusively to the work of the Young Men's Christian Association, with an immense gymnasium, perhaps more fully equipped than can be found elsewhere. If we speak of this it naturally suggests the Y. W. C. A., which also occupies a fine building in the center of the town and affords just about everything which the young woman, whether she works or not, would like to find in such an institution.

Being a border city many of the sports popular in Canada flourish here. Although baseball is the national game, cricket is played, and in the winter time curling is quite in vogue. There are, too, the usual clubs, large or small, for golf, tennis and the rest.

The city is enclosed by a boulevard 12 miles in extent, forming three sides of a rectangle, the river itself being the fourth. Beginning at the western terminus and following the smooth, hard driveway kept free from dust by the use of oil, we eventually reach the Belle Isle bridge approach, which may be considered the eastern end of the boulevard itself.

In our description of the good times which sensible men and women (children, too) may have in Detroit we call particular attention to the fact that they are enjoyed by the masses, that they are clean, healthful, and can be had at a price so modest as to be within the reach of all.

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EDITORIAL.

On to Detroit—The eyes of the faithful are now centered on Detroit and the WEEKLY varies the regular routine of its service with an issue that calls attention to the convention city and its multitudinous charms. The convention will be held during the third week in August and coming as it does in the vacation month should secure a large attendance. We bespeak for this city the consideration of every philatelist who can possibly make a vacation trip to the beautiful city of Detroit. The local committee is planning a hearty welcome to all visitors and a good time is assured.

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Savings Stamps—The adoption of the postal savings bank law will have a philatelic effect if, as it is proposed, a set of distinctive stamps is issued for the purpose of registering the savings of fractional parts of a dollar. As we understand the plan of operation of the banks, no account may be opened for less than one dollar but to encourage the accumulation of smaller amounts, the prospective depositor may purchase a postal savings card, in the spaces on which the specially prepared adhesive stamps may be affixed. An enormous number of the cards and of the postal savings stamps must be prepared. It will be within the province of the postmaster-general to formulate the regulations for the issue and cancellation of the stamps. In a list of the larger cities, the savings banks will be established first under the most careful supervision but even under these circumstances, it is felt that some defects probably of a minor nature will become apparent. It is expected that the system will soon be perfected for general use, however, and then, the small depositor, feeling amply protected will have every incentive to save. A correspondent says that the postal savings stamps will be superb productions in view of the interest manifested by President Taft in all the details of the postal savings bank bill, although he says that he has no particular authority for making the statement.

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Chicago in 1911—Chicago, having proclaimed its desire to be given the privilege of entertaining the convention of the American Philatelic Society in 1911 awaits the verdict of the Detroit convention with a sanguine expectancy that augurs well for the proper fulfillment of the pleasant task that, no doubt, will fall to its lot. For many years, Chicago has been no active solicitor of the preferment but this fact gives the wish that it now expresses, all the more earnestness. The experienced philatelists of Chicago have a full realization of what a convention means and a becoming pride in this regard will not allow them to fall short of successful accomplishment. Almost so soon as favorable action is taken at Detroit, Chicago's preparations will be under way.

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Follow Instructions—The first batch of answers in the Penflip competition has been received and we hope that we violate no confidence when we say that none of them is correct. We repeat our injunction to study the terms of the contest as without exception, those who have answered up to this time have not observed them literally. For instance, "2/6" and "half a crown" on the Falkland Islands, 1898, are not conflicting terms of the same currency; either amount is equivalent to the other. In Heligoland, as a British colony, "mark" and "shilling" are not of "the same currency." In the former Penflip contest, the "one florin" and "two shillings," type A3, Victoria, 2 shillings, was the stamp that embodied the right answer but in the present puzzle, this stamp is ineligible as the two terms are not "conflicting." While the *entente cordiale* between the great Penflip and ourselves has not been established again in its former fullness, we assure our readers that under what he considers the most galling provocation, Parnassus Penflip will not withdraw his prize.

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Friction—We say with sorrow that the distinguished donor of the Penflip prize has again displayed a burst of temper. We wrote him that much to our regret, we were unable to send him his check on July 1st and that it pained us to say this more than it would him to hear the words. Thereupon, he wrote: "Principle is a heaven-ordained attribute. Evidently, your abode will never be in the realms of ethereality. Do not ask that I report the social side of the coming Detroit convention unless you send my money, and immediately. Use a Merry Widow special delivery stamp in forwarding." We have sent Parnassus, an unused three dollar Columbian, without gum, and with a rather grave thin spot, to apply on account.

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Getting Even—As a genius, Parnassus Penflip is allowed a license that persons so transcendently endowed are given by common consent, yet with due regard for moods of temperament, we cannot but reprobate the sordid tendency that he has developed latterly. It was not the intention to revert to the following but as the great Penflip does not hesitate to reprimand us publicly, we print a letter that he sent in answer to a request for his opinion on the proposed Academy of American Philatelic Immortals that is favored by several of our esteemed contemporaries. He wrote: "The idea is superabundantly satisfactory. Is it the popular wish that I head it? I should allow myself to be persuaded to permanently preside over this institution of the august. What emolument may I expect? Surely one that will be in keeping with the grand scope of the plan."

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Bad Business—We readily believe a reader who says that one or more stamp firms that cater especially to the boy trade are distributing even at this late day, the so-called military frank stamps that made their appearance during the time of the Spanish-American war. These labels were the product of an enterprising individual and had no official standing whatever; in fact, they were distinctly repudiated by the war department for whose convenience ostensibly they were issued. For only the briefest period was there any uncertainty about the character of the labels; almost immediately, these "army franks" in red, blue and brown, respectively, were assigned to the category of trash. Today, an occasional inquiry is made by correspondents who write for information about these labels, which, it must be admitted, are not without some plausibility on their face. Now that the Educational Committee of the American Philatelic Society is devoting so much effort to the encouragement of philately among the young, the practice of distributing these frauds to beginners is particularly reprehensible. Ill-advised methods of dealers have their effect in neutralizing the good that is accomplished by the unselfish efforts of those who give their time and funds freely for the work of advancing philately among those of impressionable age. It need not be pointed out that the weeds of philately have a demoralizing influence in the philatelic garden; and it should be the duty of all, dealers and others, to protect the uninformed rather than impose upon them. Philately must grow substantially and if it is to retain all those who hear its call, their paths must be made pleasant and disappointment must have no place in their world.

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—Franklin S. Smith favors us with an article "Postage Stamp Pictures", from the *Strand Magazine*. While interesting, it is not of a sufficiently philatelic nature to warrant our reprinting the same.

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It is with considerable pride that Detroit points to John Kay as one who has been devoted to our hobby for more than fifty years, without any lagging of interest or enthusiasm.

Mr. Kay was born in Canada in 1851, and as a boy of six gathered the varicolored bits of paper that were used at that period.

Two or three years later he discovered that others were interested in the hobby, and, a friend of his father's residing in Toronto, sent him a small price list issued by Young & Stockholm of Liverpool, England.

He immediately opened a correspondence with them and remembers sending them large quantities of the half, three and six d Canadians in exchange for common stamps then in use on the Continent.

For the half penny value, he received a shilling a thousand in exchange, no distinction being made between the imperforated and perforated varieties.

In 1870 Mr. Kay came to the United States, going first to New York. A few years later he came west to Indianapolis and finally settled in Detroit in 1881.

His present collection contains some of the first stamps that he gathered as a boy, and he lays claim to the distinction of having collected continuously since 1857 surely a record to be proud of.

His collection is a general one of such splendid proportions that its owner has not attempted a recapitulation for years. It is especially strong in United States and British Colonials, many of the rarer varieties being represented in blocks and on original covers.

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Mr. Kay is head of the firm of John Kay & Co., jewelers and diamond importers, and is counted one of the foremost authorities on diamonds in this country. His business connections abroad require his spending several months of each year on the Continent, so that his opportunities for amassing a representative collection have, perhaps, been better than some of his less fortunate brothers.

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We find ourselves unable to give in this issue the program of convention week as plans have not sufficiently materialized so to do. We shall no doubt be able to publish the same in an early number.

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In 1864 he was promoted to lieutenant of the Seventh infantry and while a member of this company was wounded in the Battle of the Big Hole, Montana, against the Nez Perces Indians.

He became captain of the Seventh in 1877 and it was at this time he started his first collection, a "general" collection (no harm intended).

He enlisted in the A. P. S. on its organization and was an enthusiastic collector until 1894 when he disposed of his first collection.

Gen. Coolidge served in the Philippine campaign and in the Boxer campaign, about whose stamps he wrote articles in the WEEKLY last year. He was made Colonel in 1901 and Brigadier General in 1902, being retired in August of that year.

After his military ambition had been realized he once more turned his attention to stamp collecting and joined the San Francisco Society in 1903.

The earthquake however caused the General to retreat for the first time in his life and he moved to Detroit, "Where Life is Worth Living."

Thro' his efforts and those of Mr. Alan R. Fernald, who, by the way, is the real "Philatelic Incubator," the Detroit Society was formed and the General became its first president.

It is such men as Gen. Coolidge that make philately worth while and it's a treat to see the pleasure he takes in adding a well centered specimen to his collection of U. S. and colonies.

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ARGENTINE.—The *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly* waxes facetious over the new Argentine stamps, and with its admirable insular delight in using archaic words calls them "chest-plaisters." The term does not appear to be either true or wise. The Centenary observance of the independence of so important a nation as the Argentine Republic is certainly as worthy of note as many of the events already similarly signalized by the various British Colonies. Students of history, and even now and then a stamp collector, recognize the value of commemorative issues, at least from the national or patriotic standpoint. Why not broaden out a little and treat fairly a handsome and valuable addition to the list of historical stamps? We venture the prediction that this set of stamps will do more to popularize Argentine history, than a multitude of dry-as-dust text books.

AUSTRALIA.—According to the *Australian Philatelist*, futher delay is likely to be experienced in the issue of a uniform series of stamps for the Australian Commonwealth:

"From what we had read in the daily press *re* the financial agreement, we concluded that the ratification of the arrangements made between the Prime Minister and the Premiers of the various States was a matter of foregone conclusion, but events have proved otherwise, a majority having voted against the proposals, and the decision as to a Commonwealth issue has been set back until such time as fresh financial arrangements are proposed and accepted. It is thought in some circles that the matter will be fixed up before the end of the present year, and that in the meantime steps will be taken to prepare for the new issue of stamps, but it is at present dangerous to forecast anything in this connection. We believe, however, that the new Government is just as anxious to see a Commonwealth series of stamps in existence as its predecessors were, but as economy is an important feature of its policy, we think the idea that the new stamps will be printed from engraved steel plates may be abandoned. We have, however, confidence that no matter how they are produced they will be a credit to the country. Up to the present no official announcement has been made *re* invitations to send in designs."

BRAZIL.—O fie, Mr. *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly!* the six portraits on the new Pan American stamps are *not* all Brazilian notables, the Argentine Republic, Chili, Colombia, Mexico and the United States all having representatives among the six worthies on the stamp.

BRITISH GUIANA.—*Ewen's Weekly* says "there is considerable variation in the size of the words 'Postage and Revenue' on some of the values of the current issue, and this variation appears to have been going on for a good many years. It is only quite recently, however, that we have noticed the variation in the case of the 1c green with multiple watermark. Those recently received have the words smaller and thinner. The shade of green has also been changed, both shades occurring with the thin letter. We also have new shades of the 12c, 24c and 72c.

BRUNEI.—The *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly* notes the issue of the 2c value of the current set in a new color.

Adhesive.

2c black brown.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.—*Ewen's Weekly* reports that two values of the current set have been issued in new colors.

Adhesives.

2d gray.
6d purple.

FRANCE.—G. de Lachasse reports having received from France a pneumatic letter card, value 30 centimes, purple on light blue, with another card of the same value enclosed for the answer, in the same style as the ordinary 15c letter card already known. Both the cards have the usual advice in 16 lines, the printing on the answer being of course of a much smaller type. Mr. Lachasse has also received new smoking tobacco stamps from France, with a surcharge in different types, showing the increase in the price of tobacco, amounting to about 25 per cent. There is no surcharge for the cigarettes, the new value, 75c instead of 65c, being printed on the wrappers, which are on pink paper.

GOLD COAST.—Regarding registration envelopes, the *Colonial Office Journal* says: It may be of interest to note the advantage of indicating by means of one stamp the fact that postage has been paid as well as Registration fee.

The cost of a new embossing die where a Registration die already exists is somewhat prohibitive, but when a new one is being ordered the combined stamp, as used by the Imperial Government can be adopted without extra expense.

Another way of producing a combined stamp at a nominal cost is by means of an electrotype obtained from the King's head postcard die, as in the case of Gold Coast.

It is worthy of note that it is impossible to produce a satisfactory electrotype for printing a combined stamp from a postage stamp die owing to the wording which appears thereon and which would cause confusion.

A few Colonies have not yet adopted the newer form of Registration Envelope, the flap of which fastens in front. This is particularly suitable where a combined stamp is used. Such an envelope has the advantage of displaying all the evidence of prepayment on one side, and the change can be made without expense.

ICELAND.—*Gibbons Weekly* notes a newly discovered error in the 1902 overprint "'02-'02", instead of "'02-'03". The error "'03-'03" has been previously noted.

NEW ZEALAND.—The *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly* reports that the current 6d stamp has received the new official overprint.

ROUMANIA.—Tete-beche varieties of the latest postage due stamps are reported by *Gibbons Weekly*. The use of the pink tinted paper has been discontinued for these stamps, the paper now used being white unwatermarked and the printing in a paler shade of green than formerly.

SPAIN.—*Gibbons Weekly* reports having seen the current 15c stamp in imperforate condition.

TRENGGANU.—Regarding the report that a set of stamps is to be issued for this new member of the Malay States, a correspondent of *Ewen's Weekly* writes that the regular issue of this State will not be preceded by a surcharged issue. Strict instructions are in force in the Federated Malay States that no surcharging is again to be done and public convenience is to be allowed to suffer rather than that a small minority of loud-voiced stamp-collectors should be offended. A surcharged issue for the States recently taken over from Siam would we venture to say have been enormously popular with collectors, but apparently the kill-sports are to have their way this time.

It is quite on the cards that Kedah, Kelantan and Perlis may also have their own sets, and when the authorities have gone so far, they may decide to accord equal privileges to Perak, Selangor, Negri Sembilan and Pahang. Also, why not separate sets for the Settlements of Singapore, Penang, Malacca, Province Wellesley, Labuan, Christmas Island and Cocos-Keeling Islands?

Trengganu has just signed a treaty with Great Britain, states our correspondent, so that very soon now Post Offices will be established. The fact that there were no Post Offices before must be put down to the lack of push on the part of the present Sultan.

VENEZUELA.—A new card is just received from Mr. Schachne called, in the lower frame, the issue of Nov. 1909. It has the same appearance as the card of 1908 but the work is done by a new company, which evidently could not secure the former plate, so were obliged to make a new one of the same design. The result is not to the credit of the later contract, for the work throughout, including the stamp and arms, is much coaser both in design and printing.

Post Cards.

10c red and black on white.

VICTORIA.—Some changes are noted in the stamps of this state by the *Australian Philatelist:* The ½d and 1d stamps have been issued in a booklet, the ½d being perf. 12½. The 1d stamps are now being issued printed from a new plate inscribed on the margin CA within a double-lined circle and CB in a similar circle, as already on 9d plate, and on the Postage Due. The shade has also been slightly altered and the impression is clearer, the hair over the ear being now very conspicuous and on some impressions quite white.

The 1½d brown on yellow, with postage, watermarked V Crown, has been found perforated 11 all round, 11 at top and 12½ on other three sides as well as 12½ all round.

The 1d stamp of 1887 has been found in two very distinct shades of pink and red; also a variety of the 2d laureated, wmk. V Crown, without frame at foot, the "TWOPENCE" resting on nothing, evidently due to wear of the plate; also the current 1d stamp perforated 12 all round.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.—*Gibbons Weekly* announces that the current 10d red has been issued on Crown A paper.

PARCEL POST STAMPS.

By B. W. H. POOLE.

The parcel post, as it now exists, is a comparatively recent development of world's great postal system, and though we, in Great Britain, enjoy exceptional facilities for the despatch of parcels through the medium of our Post Office to almost every part of the globe, the inhabitants of other countries are not so fortunate. For instance, there is no parcel post in connection with the Post Office in such an important country as the United States, and the same applies to many other places. Facilities in this direction are, however, gradually being extended, and probably the time will come when it will be as simple a matter to send a parcel to any part of the world, as it now is to send a registered letter.

In some countries where a parcel post is established, special stamps are issued for the prepayment of these packages, and these are quite distinct from the labels used for ordinary postage. It will be our endeavor in this article to tabulate these varieties, and to give a short account of each. Neither Great Britain nor any of her colonies have found it necessary to issue special stamps for the prepayment of postage on ordinary parcels, but the series of specially surcharged labels, issued in our own country for use on official parcels, are certainly worthy of some mention here. The first of these appeared in 1883, and they all have the same type of surcharge—"GOVT. PARCELS" in block letters in two lines. Prior to 1883 the parcels posted from the various Government departments were either franked

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In Belgium the parcels post, though under the administration of the Government, is worked as a branch quite separate from that of the ordinary post, and parcels had, and we believe still have, to be sent from a railway station. In fact, all the stamps are inscribed "CHEMINS DE FER" (Railways), and the State Railways are responsible for the sorting, despatch, and delivery of the parcels. Prior to 1879 the cost of carrying parcels varied according to distance, and as this somewhat hampered trade, especially in goods of no great value, a number of petitions were sent to the Legislative House praying for the establishment of a uniform rate for any distance within the confines of the country.

In April 1879 the Department of Public Works promulgated a scheme by which it was possible to send small parcels at a uniform rate for any distance, and stamps were issued, presumably under the authority of this department, for the prepayment of the requisite fees. Later on the system was extended, and the printing of the stamps was undertaken by the Belgian Government itself. Altogether, four different designs have been used for these Belgian parcel post stamps, and while the earlier emissions had the inscriptions in French only, those issued since 1895 have been inscribed in both French and Flemish, the equivalent for "Chemins de fer" being "SPOORWEGEN." It should be understood that these stamps are not attached to the parcels, but are affixed to the despatch notes accompanying the package. These despatch notes are stored by the Records Department for a time, and every now and then they are sold in large lots to waste-paper dealers. The purchasers cut off the stamps, and sell them by weight to stamp dealers; hence, in used condition, these parcel post stamps are fairly common.

Two years after the issue of its ordinary postage stamps, the Congo Free State entered into an arrangement with the Belgian Government for the establishment of a parcels post service. It was mutually agreed that parcels must not weigh more than five kilogrammes, and that prepayment should be indicated on Belgian parcels by means of the parcel post stamps, and on those from the Congo Free State by the ordinary postage stamps of the territory. Notwithstanding this stipulation, the 5 francs stamp was overprinted "COLIS-POSTAUX FR. 3.50," and used for this purpose, the surcharge being made by means of a rubber handstamp. The 5 fr. stamp of 1887 was similarly overprinted, and in 1889-92 the surcharge was improved by the addition of a border, this later handstamp being made of copper. These provisionals were replaced in 1898 by two handsome picture stamps, neither of which however, had any inscription to indicate the particular purpose for which they were issued.

Italy employed parcel post stamps for a very limited period. Four values were issued on July 1st, 1884, and two more were added to the set on May 1st, 1886. These stamps are of extra large size, and are inscribed "PACCHI POSTALI" (parcel post) above the portrait of King Humbert. The stamps were withdrawn from use a few years later, and in 1890 the large remainder stock were surcharged "Valevole per le stempe" (good for printed matter) and "CMI 2."

The 10c Indo-China of the 1892-96 type is known surcharged "Indo Chine —timbre—colis postaux" in three lines. This stamp was used on parcels, but as it seems to have been affixed in addition to the ordinary postage stamps, its use was more fiscal than postal.

Another French colony—Ivory Coast —furnishes us with an appalling number of provisional parcel post stamps. These were all issued during the period 1903-5, and they consist of the ordinary postage due stamps of the French Colonies overprinted with the name "Côte d'Ivoire," "Colis Postaux," or "C.P.," and, usually, with new values as well. The catalogue list of varieties embraces no less than 57 stamps, and the specialist could easily lengthen this list.

Martinique is another French Colony that has allowed itself the luxury of a parcel post stamp. This was issued in October 1903, and consists of the 60c, postage due stamp of the 1894 French Colonial set, surcharged "Timbre Poste —5F—Martinique—Colis Postaux" in four lines. This stamp was in use for a limited period.

Although Persia has been particularly active in the matter of issuing stamps, it is, perhaps, a matter for congratulation that only three have been specially issued for use on parcels. These appeared in 1908, and consist of the 3, 6 and 26ch of 1907-8, surcharged with the words "Colis Postaux."

In June, 1908, a set of six parcel post stamps was issued by the Peruvian Government. These are of extra large size, and are plain type-set labels with numerals in the centre, "Porte de Conduccion" at the top, and "CENTAVOS" at the base, the whole being enclosed in an ornamental border. In 1900 the 20c value of this set was provisionally surcharged "UN CENTAVO," and in 1905 the 50c and 10c were reduced in value to 1c and 5c respectively by means of similar surcharges.

Since 1905, Roumania has had a special 25 bani stamp for use on parcels. This exists in various shades, with and without watermark, and in several varieties of perforation. The design is similar to that of the postage due stamps, but with the inscription "TAXA DE FACTAGIU" at the top. This stamp does not indicate the postage paid, but represents a special fee charged for delivery.

Among the American stamp-issuing countries Salvador is the only one which has indulged in the issue of parcel post stamps. These were issued in 1895, the set consisting of five different values. The stamps are handsomely designed and are of diamond shape.

Again we have to turn to the French Colonial Empire for our last example of stamps specially issued for use on parcels. In 1896 Tunis issued a set of ten different values for this purpose, the stamps being of extra large size, printed in two colours, and inscribed "COLIS POSTAUX."

Thus, if we eliminate the wearisome series of provisionals inflicted on a long-suffering philatelic public by the Ivory Coast, the group of special parcel-post stamps is not an extensive one, and, we think it will be agreed, a group containing several interesting varieties.

In conclusion we append a list of the inscriptions found upon the parcel-post stamps referred to above, with their equivalents in English, and a table of the countries issuing them.

CHEMINS DE FER (Railways).—Shown on all the issues of Belgium.

COLIS POSTAUX (Parcels Post.)—Congo, Ivory Coast, Martinique, Persia, and Tunis.

C. P.—An abbreviation for "Colis Postaux," shown on some of the stamps for the Ivory Coast.

FARDOS POSTALES (Parcels Post).—Salvador.

PACCHI POSTALI (Parcel Post.)—Italy.

PORTE DE CONDUCCION (Porterage for carrying, *i. e.* charge for conveyance).—Peru.

TAXA DE FACTAGIU (Charge for porterage).—Roumania.

SPOORWEGEN (Railways).—The Flemish equivalent for "Chemins de fer," shown on Belgian stamps issued since 1895.—*West End Philatelist.*

MATTERS PHILATELIC IN URUGUAY.

By A. H. DAVIS.

It has been decided to hold a South American Postal Convention in Montevideo next year, and the 6th January has been fixed as the opening day.

In looking through your publishers' catalogue, I see that a note at the foot of the 1900-1 issue says, "The above stamps were reissued in 1907." This is not quite correct, as only the 1c, 2c, 5c, 10c, and the 20c (No. 270) were reissued, and they can all be easily distinguished from the original printings, as they are very much lighter in shade.

In view of the increasing popularity of Uruguayan stamps, I append a few notes which I have obtained at various times, and which I hope will prove of some assistance to dealers and collectors. In quoting numbers I have taken Gibbons' Catalogue as a guide. Judging from the number of imperf. copies of Nos. 144 and 145 which have passed through my hands at various times, there must be a good many floating about. No. 148 is full of interesting varieties of surcharge, and there are numerous trials of this surcharge on the local market which are being bought by collectors as varieties. Of Nos. 280, 281, 282, 283, and 284 there are a good many pairs and blocks imperf. on one side; the rarest is No. 280 and the commonest is 283. This last, and also No. 290, are full of varieties. Of No. 283, I once saw a specimen on watermarked paper, but I forget what the watermark was. Nos. 293 and 294 should prove a good investment, as comparatively few have been sold and they are now called in. The 7c value is to be discontinued, on account of the altered tariff for foreign correspondence. I have seen specimens of all the low values supplied by Waterlow imperf. on one side. If imperf. copies of Nos. 220/230 and 232/234 appear in London at any time, I think it is well to mention that they are from the proof sheets supplied by the printers for selection by the Government for the 1895 and 1897 issues. There are from four hundred to five hundred copies of each value in existence, and I believe they are being sold as imperf. varieties, and are fetching big prices. No. 253 does not exist, and No. 254 exists with surcharge omitted in pair with normal. There are about ten copies in existence, and I sent one to Mr. W. H. Peckitt, of London. There are several sheets of Nos. 235/237 and 249/252 with inverted surcharge, and they sell for $4 per set. I have come across these on several occasions during the last few years.

Of all the peso values No. 229 is the rarest; it is much sought after, and fetches the best price. Of the Official stamps the 1905 and 1907 issues fetch ridiculous prices, because scarcely any appear to have been placed on the market; but there is no doubt that a good stock exists, not only in one but in several quarters, and the holders are merely holding on to force up prices. Collectors of Uruguay will have noticed that the last two or three issues of Official stamps have two diamond-shaped holes punched in the stamp. A great stamp robbery took place some years ago, and there was a large stock of Officials among those stolen; to prevent these being sold over the counter the authorities had holes punched in the stamps to distinguish them from the stolen stock.

Warships from every nation in the world will soon be arriving in Montevideo to take part in the Argentine celebrations, and in order to give the seamen every facility the Postmaster-General has created a provisional Post Office for their exclusive use, and has arranged for interpreters, to be in constant attendance there.—*Gibbons Weekly.*

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CHICAGO BRANCH No. 1.

SPECIAL MEETING, JUNE 29th.

CHICAGO, June 27, 1910.

We, the following members of Chicago Branch One, American Philatelic Society, request that a special meeting be called at 7 p. m., June 29, 1910, to consider the report of the special committee on accommodations at Detroit.

C. E. Severn, Iver R. Johnson, Henry Ades Fowler, John E. Lord, F. E. Farnham.

To L. C. Whitaker, president, Chicago Branch.

Meeting place to be room 1622 Masonic Temple.

In accordance with the above call, the meeting was called to order by President Whitaker with the following members present: Herzstock, Johnson, Whitaker, Van Order, Clark, Rogers, Severn, Baldwin, Farnham, Fowler, Lord, Dahl, Bloss and Wolsieffer.

Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

The report of Mr. Fowler as the committee to investigate the matter of transportation and hotel accommodations at Detroit was read and accepted. It was then moved by Mr. Severn and seconded by Mr. Van Order that inasmuch as three different Detroit hotels are accredited headquarters of the delegates to the convention, the Chicago members accept the proposition of the Wayne Hotel. Carried.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, meeting adjourned at 8.00.

HUGH M. CLARK, Sec.

CLEVELAND BRANCH, No. 30.

The regular quarterly meeting was held June 23rd, 1910. Owing to the extreme heat but eight members and two visitors were present.

Campaign Committee reported progress. Convention plans were discussed and six of those present signified their intention of attending the Detroit convention. Messrs. Rhodes and Whitaker exhibited their collections of U. S. Revenues and the former also displayed his magnificent accumulation of the 1847 regular issue.

Meeting adjourned at 9.30 p. m.

W. H. BARNUM, Clerk.

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Carpenter, A. E.	Fritsche, Walter W.
Mearns, Louis Z.	Fehlig, Burdette H.
Bryant, Arthur H.	McGraw, Sanborn T.
Louis, Charles.	Holliday, Chas. O.
Loeffler, Frank A.	

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

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Marshall, L. P., West Chester, Pa.; age 59; Photographer. Reference: National Bank of Chester Co. Proposed by C. Edwin Smith, No. 2787.

Davis, T. J., R. F. D. 50, Box 61, Pawnee, Ill.; age 50; Stock Raiser. Reference: P. J. Howard, Pawnee, Ill. W. S. Weber, Zenobia, Ill. Proposed by C. G. Ferris, No. 3423.

Turnheim, C. S., 54 B. of T. Bldg., Louisville, Ky.; age 28; Civil Engineer. Reference: Goodman Clothing Co., 2nd & Market Sts. Proposed by Roger DeL. French, No. 3526.

Kalckhoff, Dr. F., Gross/Lichterfelde 3, near Berlin, Germany; age legal; First Examiner Imperial Patent Office. References: *Berliner Philatelisten Klun;* Royal Philatelic Society. Proposed by H. S. Adair, No. 2447.

Memelsdorf, Ludwig W., Box 93, Y. M. C. A., Denver, Colo; age 21. Reference: F. W. Reid. Proposed by H. A. Davis, No. 1925.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3811. Saunders, Oliver F., Dayton, Ohio.
3812. Ralsted, H. E. M., Christiana, Norway.
3813. Chumley, H. H., Birmingham, Ala.
3814. Yaremdji, Michel A., Smyrna, Turkey.
3815. Anderson, George, San Francisco, Cal.
3816. Turner, H. G., Shelbyville, Ky.
3817. Lilienthal, Arthur G., San Francisco, Cal.
3818. Hanger, G. Wallace, Washington, D. C.
3819. Wilson, Edwin C., Detroit, Mich.
3820. Ballard, O. L., Washington, D. C.
3821. Scofield, A. B., Azusa, Cal.
3822. Heller, Leonard G., San Francisco, Cal.

APPLICATION FOR REINSTATEMENT.

2885. Langdon, H. A., 53 Waalson St., Dorchester, Mass. Proposed by W. O. Wylie.

RESIGNATION ACCEPTED.

2921. Washburn, H. L., Huston, Texas.

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356. Bartels, J. M., from Boston to 99 Nassau St., New York, N. Y.
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New stockholders,	12
Total,	1946
Resignation accepted,	1
Total membership June 25, 1910,	1945

H. S. ADAIR, Sec.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING JULY 2, 1910.

APPLICATIONS PENDING.

Ramsay, Robt. E.	Marshall, L. P.
Fritsche, Walter W.	Davis, T. J.
Fehlig, Burdette H.	Turnheim, C. S.
McGraw, Sanborn T.	Kalckhoff, Dr. F.
Holliday, Chas. O.	Memelsdorf,LudwigW

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Long, John M., 2895 W. 14th St., Cleveland, Ohio; age 22; Clerk. References: The Strauss Bros. Co.; W. G. Whittaker. Proposed by R. H. Beatty, No. 3171.

Reddy, H. C., Box 47, Glen Arbor, Mich.; age 18; Clerk P. O. Reference: Empire Ex. Bank, Empire, Mich. Proposed by H. M. Clark. Guaranteed by Anthony C. Anderson, Glen Arbor, Mich.

Bartleson, Rasmus, Sunbeam, Red Lake Co., Minn.; age 19; Printer. References: Samuel Pope, St. Hilaire, Minn.; J. H. Hay, Thief River Falls, Minn. Proposed by R. H. Beatty, No. 3171. Guaranteed by Wm. G. Hunt, P. M. Sunbeam, Minn.

Atherton, H. P., 1208 Mutual Bldg., Richmond, Va.; age 32; Architect. Reference: John R. Miller, A. P. S. Proposed by J. M. Bartels, No. 356.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3823. Huber, A. W., Chicago, Ill.
3824. Carpenter, A. E., Philadelphia, Pa.
3825. Mearns, Louis Z., San Luis, Argentine, S. A.
3826. Bryant, Arthur H., Watch Hill, R. I.
3827. Lewis, Charles, St. Louis, Mo.
3828. Loeffler, Frank, Washington, D. C.

REINSTATED.

1231. French, Le Grand, Cleveland, O.

RESIGNATION ACCEPTED.

3394. McKenzie, George C., Meriden, Conn.

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UNITED STATES.—A. W. Weigel has shown us a copy of the current 1c envelope in which the "O" of "One" has been made into a distinct "C", though the the opening is turned towards the oval containing the portrait. Mr. Weigel has found three copies of this variety.

AZORES.—*Champion's Bulletin* reports an error in printing the 10r of the new set, the stamp having been seen in black instead of gray green.

Adhesive.

10r black.

BOLIVIA.—The J. M. Bartels Co. has shown us two more values of the commemorative set, six other values having been previously chronicled.

Adhesives.

1b dark brown on black; Simon Bolivar.
2b violet brown and black; Manuel Belgrano.

CHILE.—The *Postage Stamp* says: The Republic of Chili which has enjoyed an almost unblemished record for the purity of its philatelic emissions is endeavouring to do its utmost this year to blacken itself in the eyes of the older philatelists. Always one of the most popular of the South American countries the interest of the country from the stamp collectors' point of view was largely due to the association of the familiar early design with the high repute of Messrs. Perkins, Bacon & Co.

Whether it is the Centenary or the Boom in South Americans that is leading Chili to a big flutter this year I cannot pretend to decide, but in all probability both events have had an influence in the matter.

As most of my readers are aware, the Chilian philatelic programme for the present Centenary year already includes:

1. A new General Issue of fourteen denominations from 1 centavo to 10 pesos.
2. An Issue to Commemorate the Centenary comprising thirteen values from 1 centavo to 10 pesos.

As if these two new issues totalling to twenty-seven stamps with a face value of 39 pesos, 3 centavos, the authorities have determined upon a prostitution of one of the fine old plates of the Perkins, Bacon stamps. Mr. Whitfield King, of Ipswich, told me the other day that he has had news from his correspondent in the Republic that the original old plate of the 20 centavos green stamp is to be used for a series of reprints in a variety of colours and all surcharged as high denominations. The reprint in green surcharged 20 pesos will, therefore, cost more than the catalogue price of a genuine original.

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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.—A. W. Dunning reports the following varieties, hitherto unlisted:

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FRANCE.—*Offices in Morocco.—Champion's Bulletin* reports some novelties for this colony. The current 35c postage and 30c and 50c postage due stamps having been overprinted with new values in centimos. The postage due stamps appear to be in changed colors, of which we have received no intimation previously.

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GREAT BRITAIN.—Both the Mint and the Post Office Authorities have begun the task of designing coins and stamps for the new reign. The designs will be submitted for the King's approval before dies are cut.

The King has already had an interview with Mr. W. Grey Elliston-Macartney, the Deputy Master of the Mint, but reference has also to be made to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, who is "Master and Worker."

The designers of the stamps have to submit their work to an expert philatelist, for the King has one of the best and most valuable collections of stamps in the world, and takes the keenest interest in the subject. There is a prospect that the George V stamps may come into use somewhat earlier in the reign than was the case with those of King Edward, the first of which were not on sale until about eleven and a half months after the accession.

Until the printing of the new issues has begun, the printing of the old ones will continue, so that a full supply shall always be obtainable. Some Victorian stamps, curiously enough, are still in use, and some parts of Australia, in particular. New South Wales and Queensland have not yet exhausted their stocks of "Queen's Heads."—*London Daily Mail.*

IVORY COAST.—*Ewen's Weekly* notes that the current 1c stamp has been seen in two shades, gray and almost black.

MAURITANIA.—According to *Ewen's Weekly* the current 1c is now appearing in two very distinct shades, gray and almost black.

MEXICO.—*Champion's Bulletin* adds the 20c to the list of stamps which have received the new official surcharge.

NORTHERN NIGERIA. — *Champion's Bulletin* chronicles the following values in the new color scheme.

Adhesives.

2d gray.
2½d ultramarine.
5d lilac and olive.
6d violet.
1sh black on green.
2sh 6d carmine and black on blue.
10sh carmine and green on green.

The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the ½d in a single color on multiple paper.

Adhesive.

½d yellow green.

PAPUA.—Hermann Focke reports having received another small lot of Papua stamps from Port Moresby, under date of May 11, and finds that they are all of the old type, on paper with watermark Crown A, running sideways. Mr. Focke reports that the entire set has been issued with this watermark. Inasmuch as the 2½d and 1sh values had not been previously chronicled, and for specialists, it will be interesting to note that Mr. Focke has the ½d, 1d, 2d, 2½d, 4d, 6d, 1sh and 2sh 6d, perforated 11, and the ½d, 1d, 2d and 1sh, perforated 12½. Some of the values show a decided change in shades from those of earlier printings, and the frames of the 2½d and 6d values are very much worn, the leaves in the lower left corner being in solid color instead of lined.

RIO DE ORO.—Some new provisionals have been noted by *Ewen's Weekly*, surcharged "1910—10—Centimos" in black on the 1905 issue.

Provisional Adhesives.

10c on 5p blue.
10c on 10p orange.
15c on 3p violet.
15c on 4p green.

SALVADOR.—Hermann Focke reports having seen the 17c value of the new set.

Adhesive.

17c olive green and black.

SIAM.—We are indebted to Fred G. de Jesus for copies of the 2s, 14s and 28s values of the new set, which were put on sale in Bangkok, May 19. Mr. de Jesus informs us that the figure supporting the King's likeness is a Garuda. Upon this point we copy the following from *Ewen's Weekly:*

"A correspondet informs us that the animal which is holding the king's picture on the new stamps is a 'Krut,' a mythological being (in the Indian mythology called 'Garuda'), half man, half bird, with fangs in its mouth and with a nose shaped like the beak of the hawk. It is the riding-animal of the Indian god Vishnu and the declared enemy of the lower world, especially of the snakes. There is much use made of the Krut in Indian and Siamese ornaments and it is always represented fighting against two snakes. The King of Siam has a Krut in his private seal."

Another value of the new set—12 satangs—is expected shortly from Europe.

Adhesives.

2s orange and green.
14s blue.
28s red brown.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS. — *Malay States.*—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 8c stamp in a single color on ordinary paper.

Adhesive.

8c ultramarine.

SWITZERLAND.—*Champion's Bulletin* reports that the 5c value has been issued in a retouched type, the cord of the arbalest is now between the boy's head and the shaft of the arbalest. Undoubtedly the same change will be made in the 2c and 3c values.

UPPER SENEGAL.—*Ewen's Weekly* reports that the current 5c stamp has been seen in dark green and yellowish green.

VENEZUELA. — *Champion's Bulletin* brings to light a new series of provisionals for Guayana, etc., similar to Scott's A32, but taller and showing the sun in full glory shining over the woods and hills. "Instruccion" appears at the top instead of "Correos de Venezuela," but otherwise there is no change.

Provisional Adhesives.

"Estado Guayana."

50c red.
1b blue green.
2½b yellow green.
5b gray black.
10b violet.

"Estado Maturin."

10b violet.

"Distrito Marino."

10b violet.

VICTORIA.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the current 1d stamp on Crown A paper, perf. 12.

NEW ZEALAND NOTES.

Several of the new season's priced catalogues bear out what I have written again and again, that New Zealands and Australians have in most cases been undervalued for years. These early catalogues, whose compilers as a rule pride themselves on their low prices, are now, generally speaking, right up to Gibbons'. This is especially noticeable in early New Zealands; the reason is that these stamps are getting very scarce indeed. How many are listed in recent auction catalogues or do we see on club sheets?

Pictorials also are much undervalued, notably no watermark issue of 1900, London Prints of 1898, and New Zealand exhibition. Most of our local younger collectors lack these, and our New Zealand dealers' stocks are being rapidly depleted by New Zealand collectors. Sydney dealers also have of late tremendously increased their prices for Australasians, a term which includes Australia, our Dominion, and all British dependencies in the Pacific. Even at their enhanced prices I doubt if they could supply much of the goods they quote.

The advent of our King's Head set has enormously increased the ranks of collectors out here; the same thing happened in 1898 when our first Pictorials appeared. To my mind these distinctive new issues do Philately a large amount of good by drawing attention to our hobby and bringing new collectors into the fold.

Our Officials have already commenced to appear in the new issue, the first to be chronicled being the 1d. I have seen the ½d also. The 3d, 6d, and 1s may be expected any time. The old ½d view Official, dark green shade, will be a very scarce stamp; very few were issued.

Whilst writing I should like to contradict the absurd rumour which emanated from Sydney that our 1½d perforated 14 had been reprinted. The truth is that all 1½d were withdrawn from sub-offices to Wellington and from there were doled out up to a certain date—to my mind a very sensible and business-like way of doing things.

The use of machines is still on the increase and accordingly the decrease in supplies of all values over 1d is most marked. Full used sets of King's Heads command good prices here.

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His majesty's continued interest in the Society over which he has worthily presided for so many years has been further evinced by his command that the Earl of Crawford should be elected President in his stead. It goes without saying that the King's wishes and those of every Fellow of the Royal Philatelic Society absolutely coincided in this respect, and that the election by acclamation of His Lordship to the Presidency was a foregone conclusion. Lord Crawford's services to Philately are too numerous and too patent to require any recital, and every member of the Royal Society will feel that no more popular or suitable choice could have been made. We trust also that the re-election of the writer to his former position of Vice President will not be deemed unacceptable to the Fellows and Associates of the Society.

The note elsewhere on the collection of the Royal Society further reveals the pleasing fact that King George's gracious patronage is not limited to words only. It will be seen that His Majesty, through the courtesy of H. M. King Manuel of Portugal, has presented to the Royal Society one of the exceedingly interesting and valuable series of reprints of the stamps of Portugal and colonies which are known as "the King of Spain reprints." This series of stamps, which includes several hundreds of specimens, includes representations of practically every stamp issued by Portugal and its colonies, many of which are originals and others reproductions of great beauty. These reprints are in some cases so faithfully close to the original as to be calculated to deceive the collector, but fortunately the number printed is so limited that they are probably rarer than the originals, and are therefore not likely to agitate the soul of the ordinary collector. It is however, self-evident that the possession of such a set of reprints must be of great usefulness to a philatelic society, and this gift of His Majesty is exceedingly welcome, as it represents exactly that class of stamp which should be best available for the purposes of identification and comparison, and for the instruction of the community at large. We trust that His Majesty's thoughtful initiative may be widely followed, so that the Royal Society's Reference Collection may ultimately develop into one of high importance.

The very important and interesting donation of the stamps of the Indian Empire and the Feudatory States presented by the Indian Government to the Royal Philatelic Society represents a highly valuable recognition of the aims of the collection that it is impossible to esteem too highly. The grateful acknowledgments of every member of the Royal Philatelic Society are tendered to the Director-General of the Posts of India for his valuable presentation.

Now that this precedent has been so happily set, we have every reason to hope that the other Governments of the British Empire will follow suit, so that, at least from the accession of King George V, the Royal Society's Reference Collection will be absolutely complete. Every effort will be made by the Collection Committee of the Society to secure a result so desirable, and we trust that we shall be able, ere long, to make announcements of similar gifts from other portions of the British Empire.—*London Philatelist.*

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EDITORIAL.

King as Patron—Stamp collectors throughout the world have been keenly anxious to learn what relation will exist, in view of King George's accession to the throne, between the King and the body which he honored by presiding over, as Prince of Wales. Authoritative information is now available; in the *London Philatelist*, the Monthly Journal of the Royal Philatelic Society, London, the announcement is made that "His Majesty the King has graciously consented to be Patron of the Royal Philatelic Society. . . . The Premier Society has indeed long been singularly favoured by royalty, but it fully recognizes that His Majesty's patronage is not bestowed on that Society solely for its own merits, but rather as a recognition that Philately, which it represents, has developed into a scientific pursuit whose existence makes for the advantage and pleasure of a vast number of people throughout the world. The feeling of gratification that the King's accession to the throne of the British Empire should not have weakened his sympathy with Philately will therefore extend to almost every country in the world, and cannot fail to give a solidity and permanency to the pursuit of stamp collecting that would otherwise have been impossible of attainment." His Majesty has commanded that the Earl of Crawford be elected President in his place and this expression of the King was one that conformed most agreeably to the sentiments of the members of the Royal Society and by acclamation, Lord Crawford was elected. M. P. Castle, J. P., was chosen, and deservedly, for another term as Vice President.

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The Premier Society—Indications are not lacking that the importance and influence of the Royal Philatelic Society will be emphasized under the new order. From the report of the Honorary Secretary of the society, we take the following data: There are 280 Fellows and 5 Associates on the register. The library has been largely increased and the reference collection augmented by numerous and noteworthy contributions. The Government of India donated a set of the adhesive postage stamps and entires of India and its component states and there has been presented to the Society in His Majesty's name, a complete collection of "the so-called 'King of Spain' reprints of the stamps of Portugal and the various Portuguese Colonies." It is explained that His Majesty had a short time ago planned to secure these stamps for the collection of the Society and that they were handed to the King personally by the King of Portugal when on a visit recently to England. It has been remarked that the King's manifestation of Philatelic friendliness at a season when the cloak of sadness pressed heavily on all is a remarkable tribute to the ascendancy of philately; and one that must touch and quicken with gratitude, philatelists everywhere.

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Liberian Remainders—From a reliable source it is learned that efforts are being made to market a huge lot of unused Liberian stamps in this country. The stamps are of the issues "before 1890" it is explained and number eight varieties; there are from 14,000 to 87,600 of each denomination. It is needless to say that the knowledge of the existence of so large a quantity of remainders will have its effect on prices; and when the stamps are marketed collectors will find that abnormally large discounts will prevail. Similarly in the latter part of 1893 a large parcel of Liberian stamps was peddled around to dealers for offers.

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An Old Story—A gigantic fraud is reported from New York, whereby nearly $2,000,000 is given as the amount of the loss suffered by the state of New York through the operations of "a widely organized gang of stock transfer stamp thieves." Details which will be given shortly in the newspapers will show that three hundred men and boys have been found to be implicated. It will not be a surprise to learn that messenger boys connected with some of the prominent Wall street brokerage offices are involved in the swindle. When fiscal taxes are in force the government loses great sums of money through the fraudulent use of the revenue stamps; and the officers are well aware of the leakage. Soon after the introduction of revenue stamps during the civil war period, the attention of the department was centered on the problem of preventing the cleaning and re-use of the stamps; and old official correspondence reveals that many plans have been suggested to checkmate the designs of the swindlers. Not a few of the revenue issues of this country were occasioned admittedly to defeat the machinations of the stamp crooks.

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Rest in Peace—With painful feelings, we have to record the sad intelligence that on July 8th, the wife of Henry N. Mudge, President of the American Philatelic Society, passed away at her home in Chicago, after an illness extending over many months. Mrs. Mudge, through an attendance at different of the conventions of the American Philatelic Society had become endeared to many members; and the large number of philatelists that through the honors bestowed upon her husband came within the sphere of her gentleness were genuinely impressed with the superb womanliness and beautiful character of Mrs. Mudge. Mr. Mudge has sustained a staggering loss and though it is one from which he will never wholly recover, we trust that the thought that he has the heartfelt sympathy of the great number of philatelists who have unbounded esteem for him will not be without a benign influence. Mr. Mudge and his wife were all in all to each other and the singular sweetness of their relations was an inspiration to the friends of the two, who are now so mysteriously parted. The Chicago friends of Mr. Mudge grieve with him and those local philatelists who rather intimately knew the happy household are sorrowfully oppressed. Funeral services were held at the Mudge home, Saturday, the day following the death; and on Sunday morning, Mr. Mudge started on his sad, solitary journey with the casket to Marblehead, Mass., where Mrs. Mudge is to rest in ground consecrated by a sterling line of ancestors. A handsome floral tribute from the Chicago Philatelic Society had its place among the dozens of sweet mementos from a host of friends; and a delegation from the society numbering Messrs. Wolsieffer, Fowler, Farnham, Clark, Gilbert and Severn were at the services. Other members so soon as they heard of Mrs. Mudge's death came to offer their condolences. It is Mr. Mudge's expectation to return from the east within a week or so; and we trust that his brave spirit will upbear him in his saddest of trials.

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Consequently although the stamp has been printed (in what quantities we are not at present aware) it will have to be relegated to the list of stamps "prepared for use but never issued."

We wonder whether and when copies will see the light of the philatelic day.

Other stamps of Great Britain which come within the same category as having been prepared for use but never actually issued are:—

1. The 1d black V.R. prepared in 1840, resembling the ordinary 1d black stamp of that year but having the letters V.R. in the upper corners in place of the small star ornaments. This V. R. stamp was designed for the use of Government departments, but although specimens were sent out to the post offices, the stamp never came into use. The V.R. stamp is known with various cancellations, some of the specimens sent out to the post offices having apparently been used, but most of the cancelled copies found are obliterated with trial marks used for experimenting with various cancelling inks.

2. The 1½d lilac-rose was prepared in 1860 to meet the requirements of a proposed postage rate which however did not receive the sanction of Parliament. The 10,000 sheets (of 240 stamps to the sheet) which were printed in this colour were disposed of as follows:—

1 sheet for the imprimatur in 1860.
1 sheet for the Paris Exhibition, 1867.
1036 sheets distributed to postmasters, collectors, etc.
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10000 sheets (Total) or 2,400,000.

The plate [1] from which this stamp was printed was of course used in 1870 for the issued 1½d, and the well-known error of lettering which occurred in the plate, viz., OP-PC (in lieu of CP-PC) is consequently found in both colours.

These are the two chief examples, though numbers of other stamps might be included. Many of them probably got no farther than the proof stage and were not actually printed in large supplies ready for use. An exception may be made to this statement in respect of some of the ½d to 1s denominations in use prior to the issue of the unified series of 1884. At that time when the 3d and 6d stamps were printed in purple and overprinted with large figures of value, it was intended that all the values up to the 1s should be printed in the same colour and overprinted with the value. Copies of all were so printed but only the two denominations were actually issued though copies are known of these and of other values with the value surcharged in black.

Plate 1 of the 8d of 1876 was registered and at first printed in purple-brown though issued in orange.—*Postage Stamp.*

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SALVADOR "15 SEPTEIMBRE 1909."

We have previously made reference to the fact that this surcharge has been extensively counterfeited. Henry M. Wichman of Springfield was the first to give us the information referred to.

Mr. Wichman has been in correspondence with a responsible party in Salvador and now submits for our consideration letters that have passed between his friend and the Director-General of Posts.

The letter to the Director-General called for specific information and the nature of the questions will be indicated in the reply, from which we are permitted to make extended extracts.

We quote from the reply as follows:

(a) The four stamps submitted by you for inspection are not originals.

(b) This surcharge was printed on 5,000 specimens of the current 1c stamp, on wove watermarked paper. The usual supply was furnished to the U. P. U. at Berne and the remainder placed on sale on Sept. 15 only, at the post office of the city of San Salvador, the only office which used them.

(c) Petitions for reprintings have been denied.

The Director-General very kindly accompanied his letter with impressions from the rubber stamps used for cancelling the above stamp. They are two in number but so poorly made as to be easily imitated.

There is no question but what genuine originals of this stamp are worth much more than the prices being charged, and the WEEKLY must decline further advertising pertaining to the same unless we are assured that the stamps are what they pretend to be.

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DINNER TO C. F. ROTHFUCHS.

On Tuesday evening, July 5, a goodly number of members of the Boston Philatelic Society assembled at the City Club, Beacon St., in attendance upon a complimentary dinner to Mr. Rothfuchs who is to leave Boston shortly to take up his residence in Seattle, Wash.

A. W. Batchelder presided, Mr. Rothfuchs being seated at his right and Willard O. Wylie, president of the B. P. S., at his left.

A very interesting souvenir of the occasion was a neat card showing a portrait of Mr. Rothfuchs:

Complimentary Dinner
to
MR. C. F. ROTHFUCHS
Born 1851 Collector 1859

Dealer 1885 Retired 1910

Tendered by a few of his many B. P. S. friends
at the
Boston City Club
Tuesday Evening, July 5, 1910

After enjoying the very excellent dinner, some post-prandial exercises of an informal character were indulged in. Brief addresses were made by Messrs. Batchelder, Wylie, Carpenter, Green, Drew, Howes, Putney and Sawyer. Mr. Rothfuchs responded expressing the feeling of regret that he had in leaving Boston and assuring those present that he would always hold in kind regard those with whom he had been so long associated in this city.

Mr. Howes presented to the guest of the evening a set of resolutions ordered prepared at the last meeting of the B. P. S. and these resolutions we are pleased to reproduce in the columns of the WEEKLY:

WHEREAS, in the course of changes that Time brings to us all, it has happened that our fellow member,

CHARLES FREDERICK ROTHFUCHS

has deemed it advisable to lay down his activities as a veteran stamp dealer, and enjoy a well earned rest from the strenuous competition of business life, and

Whereas this includes a change of residence to the far side of the continent, which necessitates a break in the intimate and active relations with the

Boston Philatelic Society,

which he has so long maintained, therefore be it

Resolved, that we deem it fitting to recite, and hereby put on record in accordance with an unanimous vote of the Boston Philatelic Society, passed at the meeting of June 21, 1910, the following:

Mr. Rothfuchs joined the Society as member Number 209 on October 19. 1897. In 1902-3 he served us as Vice President, and in 1904-5 as President, an office which he filled with dignity and ability. During 1906-7 he served on the Governing Board, and since 1906 has been a member of the Expert Committee. He also served as a member of the Entertainment Committees of 1902 and 1909.

In addition to his official duties, all of which have been conscientiously and ably performed, Mr. Rothfuchs has been a constant and active attendant at our meetings, always ready to put his shoulder to the wheel in any good cause. In consideration of the foregoing, therefore, be it

Resolved, that in taking Mr. Rothfuchs' name from our active membership list we express our appreciation of his loyal and constant support, of his untiring service in the duties of the offices he has filled, and of his probity and worth as a man; and be it further

Resolved, that we wish him God-speed in his journey to the Pacific, and peace, happiness and a well-earned rest from business cares in the enjoyment of his new home. We, here, shall miss him.

WILLARD O. WYLIE,
President.
[SEAL] CLIFTON A. HOWES, F. R. P. S.,
Secretary.

The hearty well wishes of a host of WEEKLY subscribers will go with Mr. Rothfuchs as he takes up his residence in the far west.

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8 " brown-orange, Arms		.05
12 " slate, King's head		.06
25 " rose and black, King's head		.12
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ITEMS FROM THE ENGLISH PRESS.

By CHARLES E. JENNEY.

The Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly of May 28th in its department of "Philatelists of Today," pictures and tells of one of our old-time correspondents, Mr. Herbert Clark of Angmering. He is one of the collectors of philatelic literature who has turned his hobby to good account by absorbing a vast amount of knowledge of the postal workings of the world.

An article by Fred Edwards on the Steamship Company Stamps gives some interesting information about this odd class of stamps and recalls some almost forgotten issues.

In *Gibbon's Stamp Weekly* for June 4th, Chas. J. Phillips' paper on Persia, Peru, Salvador and Switzerland, read before the Herts Philatelic Society appears the most interesting part of which, not having his display before us, is that dealing with Peru and the distinctions between its genuine and forged stamps.

G. S. W. of June 11th presents a variety of the portraits of Edward VII, with a criticism on them as works of art. It compares the early examples of the Newfoundlands portraying him as Prince of Wales with the current issues to the considerable disparagement of the latter. A widely voiced opinion is expressed when they say "We believe that it is universally admitted that the postage stamps of recent times are no improvement upon those of earlier date," which is indeed putting it mildly. Illustrations of the Newfoundland 4c and the Quebec anniversary ½c stamps are shown as examples of a basis for a handsomer new issue for the new reign.

In the South American letter we notice the statement that Uruguay does not charge the public for the cost of stationery in its stamped envelopes, wrappers or stamp booklets, a custom that might be imitated in this country with general satisfaction (except perhaps to the stationery dealers). The figuring of the cost of the different sized envelopes at government schedule is a task not liked by postal employees.

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F. P. BUTMAN, Wakefield, Mass.

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Book 48, 1902-3, 2c stamps, $2.25; pane 6, 25c. Menotomy Stamp Co., Hardwick, Vt. 60% apps.

13c sea green 1909 for 16c, 10 or more at 15c each. Stamps accepted. K. W. MACDONALD, 1302 Fannin St., Houston, Tex. [Comp.

Dull Season Bargains: 100 all diff., perfect condition, cat. over $10, for $1.25. Money back if you say so. J. B. Royce, Box 913, Springfield, Mass. [20

15,000 varieties stamps to exchange for books, furniture or cash. Box 233, Fennville, Mich. [22

Will A.P.S. members having less than 7000 vars. please exch? E. L. Pickens, Cattaraugus, N.Y. [22

Mr. Roosevelt has one and there is one in the Library of Congress, Washington. They are guaranteed genuine and original, and are rare. What? Why, Ballots cast for Jeff Davis in 1861. I will send you one for $1.00 greenback. Postage and registration (if desired) extra. Each one is signed on back by voter who cast it. Address A. W. DUNNING, Newton, Mass. [tf*

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105 China, etc., list, stp. dictionary, 2c. 1910 Cat., 12c. Agts. 50%. Bullard, Sta. A, Boston. [tf*

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AMERICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY—*Continued from page 252.*

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY.

Total membership July 2, 1910,	1951
New stockholders,	2
Total,	1953
By death,	1
Total membership July 9, 1910,	1952

H. S. ADAIR, Sec.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING July 16, 1910.

APPLICATIONS PENDING.

Marshall, L. P.
Davis, T. J.
Turnheim, C. S.
Kalchkoff, Dr. F.
Memelsdorf, Ludwig
Long, John M.
Reddy, H. C.
Bartleson, Rasmus.
Atherton, H. P.
Jerrems, Wm. Jr.
Hills, Frank K.
Kassen, S. A.
Dahlgren, C. U.

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Howard, Sidney C., Box 525, Columbus, Ohio; age legal; Jeweler. References: Bancroft Bros.; H. S. Adair. Proposed by George K. Smith, Jr., No. 2472.

Dean, Leo E., 106 Smith Ave., Detroit, Mich.; age 28; Bookkeeper. Reference: H. W. Allen, 743 Concord Ave., Detroit. Proposed by I. C. Greene, No. 2676.

Justi, Henry M., 32 and Spring Garden St., Philadelphia, Pa.; age 42; Mfr. Reference: A. F. Henkels. Proposed by John W. Hazeltine, No. 1964.

King, H. D., 17 Elliott Ave., Bryn Mawr, Pa.; age legal; Biologist. Reference: H. S. Pearacre. Proposed by H. S. Powell, No. 3415.

Prescott, Frank, 3921 Page Ave., St. Louis, Mo.; age 37; Draftsman. References: Senf Bros.; Siegfred Schachne, A. P. S.; St. Louis Stamp Collectors Society. Proposed by Wm. J. H. Anschuetz, No. 2863.

Marston, Herbert W., 4201 Russell Ave., St. Louis, Mo.; age 37; Shoes. References: Brown Shoe Co.; R. W. Boisselier, A. P. S. Proposed by Wm. J. H. Anschuetz, No. 2863.

Eilers, R. H., 1710 Cora St., St. Louis, Mo.; age 30; Clerk. Reference: A. H. Eilers, 1322 Pine St. Proposed by Wm. J. H. Anschuetz, No. 2863.

Rocca, Joseph, 14 Rue Pierre Nys, Paris, France; age 38; Bank Employee. Reference: Member Association Philatelique D'Echange de Paris. Proposed by Wm. J. H. Anschuetz, No. 2863.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3831. Fehlig, Burdette H., St. Louis, Mo.
3832. McGraw, Sanborn T., Detroit, Mich.
3833. Holliday, Chas. O., Taylorsville, Ill.

REINSTATED.

797. Rood, P. E., Toledo, Ohio.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY.

Total membership July 9, 1910,	1952
New Stockholders,	3
Reinstated,	1
Total membership July 16, 1910,	1956

By the time this notice is printed the official ballots will be in the mail. The Secretary urges every member to vote, sign and mail his ballot promptly, using the envelop enclosed for that purpose.

All Stock Certificates to date have been mailed. If you have failed to receive yours, please notify at once.

Where are you going to spend your vacation this year? Have you remembered that this year the convention is held at *Detroit, Mich?* Better make your plans now to be one of the happy throng to enjoy the hospitality of those who live *"Where Life Is Worth Living."* Each and every individual member that attends is promised such a grand time that his first thought will be to inquire about the price of real estate with a view to becoming a permanent resident. Does not that sound too good to be true? Better come and investigate for yourself. *On to Detroit.*

H. S. ADAIR, Sec.

20th Century

Azores 1910, 2½ to 300	$1.30
Morocco, 40 on 4d orange	.12
Siam 1910	..
China, 3c and 7c	.09
Spain, 40c pink	.12
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ALSO	
Liberia 1892, $5.00 at face	5.00
" " 2.00 "	2.00
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OFFICE OF THE TREASURER.

OMAHA, NEBR., July 1, 1910.

H. N. MUDGE, President,
H. S. ADAIR, Secretary,
American Philatelic Society,

Gentlemen:—The following report shows the condition of the treasury on July first:

Stock Fund.

Receipts:		
Balance,	$3354.66	
Received in March,	97.00	
		$3451.66
Disbursements:		
Rejected applicants,		2.00
Balance,		$3449.66

General Fund.

Receipts:		
Prior to June 1st,	$1920.54	
Dues in June,	8.40	
		$1928.94
Disbursements:		
Balance (deficit),	$ 435.98	
Vouchers to date,	1498.93	
		$1934.91
Balance (deficit),		$5.97

Insurance Fund.

Receipts:		
Balance,	$1411.38	
Sales Supt.,	313.82	
		$1725.20
Disbursements:		
Vouchers to date,		$344.09
Balance,		$1381.11

Exchange Account.

Balance,	$45.60	
Balance to date,	8.40	
Balance,		$54.00

Summary of Balances.

Stock Fund,	$3449.66	
Insurance Fund.	1381.11	
Exchange Account,	54.00	
Credit due Adair,	71.23	
		$4956.00

Resources.

Bonds,	$2612.34	
General Fund (deficit),	5.97	
Cash on hand,	2337.69	
		$4956.00

Respectfully submitted,
W. P. WHERRY, M. D., Treas.

REPORT OF BERKELEY BRANCH No. 27.

At the meeting of the Berkeley Branch held June 26 the following officers were nominated:

President, H. N. Mudge of Illinois.

Board of Vice Pres., F. R. Cornwall, Chester Myers, A. Strauss, all of Missouri.

Secretary, W. H. Barnum of Ohio.

Treasurer, Dr. W. P. Wherry of Nebraska.

Int. Secretary, L. H. Kjellstedt of Pennsylvania.

Directors-at-Large, Gen. Charles A. Coolidge of Michigan; H. J. Crocker of California.

HENRY CHALLONER, Sec.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BRANCH, No. 36.

The undersigned members of the American Philatelic Society, believing that the time has come when the Society should publish its own Official Organ, as is done by the leading Philatelic Societies of other countries, and in order to bring the question before the next annual convention for final action, do hereby request that you will cause to be published in the present Official Organ in accordance with Art. XIII of the By-laws, the following proposed changes in the By-laws of the Society which will be necessary of adoption with slight modifications, before the publication can be carried into effect and second class postage-rates secured from the postal authorities.

WILLIAM SAHM.
PHILIP H. WARD, JR., No. 2234.
R. KOEHLER.
BURTON G. COWLES.
FRANCIS B. WHEATON.
WM. A. JOHNSON, No. 1047.
CHAS. R. MORRIS, No. 2629.

Proposed amendments to the By-Laws of the A. P. S. to enable it to publish the *American Philatelist* as its official organ and to secure second class postal rates thereon.

ARTICLE IX. *Official Organ.*

Section 1. The Official Journal of the Society shall be the *American Philatelist*, to be published by the Society.

ARTICLE X. *American Philatelist.*

Sec. 1. The *American Philatelist* shall be published monthly on or before the first of each month.

Sec. 2. Each volume shall begin with the issue for September and the issues shall be numbered from 1 to 12 beginning with that month.

Sec. 3. In the first possible number of each volume shall be printed the By-laws as last amended, the rules of all departments which may not be included in the general By-Laws, and a full report of the proceedings of the last annual convention. Every number shall contain a list of the names and addresses of the officers of the Society, a list of the several committees with the names and addresses of the Chairman of each and a list of all the Branch Societies with the name and address of the Secretary of each Branch. The January issue each year shall contain a list of all active members, arranged alphabetically, numerically and geographically. Every number shall contain a list of applicants

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N. 6	3c " " 2, "	.45
N. 25	10c green, die 2, white	2.00
N. 19	3c red, " 5, buff	.75
N. 28	10c green, " 4, "	2.00
N. 47	1c blue, buff	.75
N. 68	1861, 3c pink, white	.20
N. 63	patent lines	2.50
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N. 117	1863, 2c black, die D	.40

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217	1887, 30c	.40	.15
291	1898, 50c	.35	.20
597	Interior, 1c new	1.50	.40
577	Treasury, 12c	.15	.05
581	" 90c	.60	.25
605	Justice, 3c new	.75	.30
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558	" 3c "	1.00	.50
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1213	Unpaid 1879, 30c	1.00	.25
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14	Br. Honduras 1884, 1d new	.25	.10
24	" 20 on 6, "	.75	.25
38	Canada 1877, 5c new	1.00	.25
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30	Mexico 1866, 50c new	.60	.20
28	Nevis 1884, 1d	.35	.15
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37	Newfoundland 1876, 3c	.50	.15
41	" 1880, 2c new	.18	.08
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for membership received by the Secretary up to the time of going to press and a list of such applicants as have been accepted into membership, changes of address and other changes affecting the membership list together with such other reports of officers and Branch Societies as may be proper.

Sec. 4. The subscription price of the *American Philatelist* to members of the Society shall be 40 cents per year or 10 cents per quarter, all subscriptions of members to date from the quarter in which the member is accepted and to run to the end of the fiscal year. The subscription price to other than members of the Society shall be 75 cents per year. The price of single copies shall be 10 cents each. No free copies to be sent to other than advertisers, exchanges and such Libraries as shall be approved by the Board of Directors.

Sec. 5. All matter for publication other than official matter shall be edited by the Editor. All official matter shall be edited by the Secretary.

Sec. 6. Advertising matter shall be accepted for publication subject to the approval of the managing editor at a rate to be fixed by the Board of Vice-Presidents, but said advertising shall not exceed in space, the amount devoted to reading matter.

Sec. 7. The contract for printing the *American Philatelist* shall be let by the Board of Vice-Presidents after inviting competition in whatever manner they deem advisable and said Board shall have the right to any or all bids at their discretion.

Sec. 8. All money received for advertisements or subscriptions shall be held and accounted for by the Managing Editor and from this fund he shall pay all expenses incident to the editing, printing and mailing of the magazine. In case the receipts do not equal the expenses, the balance shall be paid from the General Fund but in case they exceed the expenses, then the balance remaining at the end of the fiscal year shall be paid over to the Treasurer for the General Fund.

In case the foregoing two articles are adopted in whole or in part it will be necessary to also change some other sections of the By-Laws and the following are proposed.

ARTICLE II, Sec. 1 (In part). The Secretary shall cause the name, age, occupation and address of each applicant and the names of his references and bondsmen to be published in the next issue of the Official Journal following receipt of the application.

(Also in second paragraph, same section.) In case the Secretary is advised that objections to an applicant have been received by the Vice-Presidents, he shall publish said applicants' name in each issue of the Official Journal under the title of "Application Pending" until he shall have been advised by the said Board of final action upon the application.

ARTICLE II, Sec. 3 (First paragraph). The annual dues shall be 80 cents, payable in advance on the first day of September, when the fiscal year shall commence; Provided, that every new member for any unexpired portion of the first fiscal year after his admission to membership shall pay at the rate of 20 cents per quarter or fraction thereof from the date of his application.

ARTICLE II, Sec. 4 (Second paragraph). Change the figures "$1.20" to "80 cents".

ARTICLE V, Sec. 3 (Duties of Secretary). Add the following paragraph. He shall also be managing editor of the American Philatelist and in that capacity shall solicit and edit all advertisements, collect all subscriptions, arrange the matter for publication and attend to the mailing of the magazine. For this service he shall be paid $25.00 per number which amount shall not become due and payable until the issue has been mailed to the subscribers.

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BUFFALO COLLECTORS CLUB, BRANCH 37.

The tenth regular meeting was held Thursday evening, June 2nd, at 1025 Fidelity Building. Five members and one visitor were present. No business was transacted at this meeting. Circuit books were examined. Meeting adjourned at 10.30 p. m.

WARREN C. TUDBURY, Sec.

The eleventh regular meeting was held Thursday evening, June 16th, at 1025 Fidelity Building. Five members and one visitor, Mr. Edgar Nelton, were present. It was voted to suspend regular meetings during July and August. Members examined circuit books and the meeting adjourned at 10 p. m.

Next meeting Thursday, September 1st.

WARREN C. TUDBURY. Sec.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

New Members: 206, Sensow, John F., La Porte, Indiana. 207, Powers, C. F., Dorchester Centre, Mass.

Application for Membership: Victor Nessland, Jamestown, N. Y., age 38, bookkeeper. References: Siegfried Schachne and C. A. Okerlind. Proposed by President Schachne.

Resignations: Dr. J. H. Cowell, H. A. Croghan and Alfred Fischer.

Dropped for Non-Payment of Dues: W. D. Arnold, Walter Clarke Bellows, Rev. A. Kinell and Wm. Sellschopp.

Dues received from 18, 72, 99 and 110; from applicant, 40 cents; total, $4.90.

One report of the secretary appears to have been lost; so this report covers from April 30 to date.

The secretary is endeavoring to collect obsolete catalogues of and literature on postals and letter cards to form a library for the free use of members of the society. Several volumes are now on hand through purchase and contribution. President Schachne is entitled to the thanks of the society for valuable contributions, thereto. If other members have anything of interest to this branch of philately to contribute they will be gladly received.

S. M. EDWARDS, Sec.

ARGUSVILLE, N. D., June 30, 1910.

BOSNIA'S NEW DIGNITY.

A news item in the papers during the past week which may probably turn out to have a change of stamps in store for the philatelist, is the announcement that Bosnia and Herzegovina are to be raised to the status of a kingdom, the old kingdom destroyed by the Turks in 1463 being thus re-established. The aged Emperor Franz Josef has been visiting the provinces in state and got "an imposing and cordial" reception from the people, who are evidently enthusiastic over the prospective change. Whether their enthusiasm will find an outlet in adding some of the symbols of their new national dignity to their postage stamp photo album or not is a matter for time to decide. But we have the precedent of Wurtemberg's pride in its title of kingdom being displayed by the overprint of 1906 to commemorate the centenary of Wurtemberg's being raised to a kingdom.—*Postage Stamp.*

—The second contribution auction of the Philadelphia Stamp Club took place on the evening of June 21st. In spite of the hot weather and a thunder shower thirty members were present, who bid up the 242 lots to a net result of almost $70.00. A number of desirable lots were offered and bidding was spirited at times.—A. F. HENKELS, Auction Mgr.

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1851 10c good copies	.75	.35
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1857 1c, type II	1.00	.50
5c, " I, average	4.00	1.60
5c brick red, fair	7.00	2.75
5c br'n, type III, good average	2.50	1.25
10c (on cover 25c)	.50	.20
12c average	1.25	.50
*24c, full o. g., centered w	6.00	1.85
24c, defective, good space filler	6.00	1.10
30c, used, slight thin spot	6.00	1.25
*30c, full o. g., st. edge at r	10.00	3.50
*30c, defective, looks fine	10.00	1.75
1861 10c August, fine looking space filler	7.50	1.75
10c August on cover, good av'ge	7.50	2.75
5c buff, fine color	7.50	2.90
5c " space filler	7.50	1.45
10c green (on cover 12c)	.15	.08
90c, nice clear copy	3.50	1.85
1868 5c, good copy	4.00	1.75
1869 1c	.75	.35
*10c, o. g., quite good	6.00	2.00
*15c, " very nice stamp	6.00	2.25
15c, fine used	1.50	.85
*24c, o. g., perf. touch at n., fine	12.50	4.90
24c, nice used copy	5.00	2.50
24c, space filler, looks well	5.00	1.50
30c, fine used	3.00	1.90
90c, space filler	15.00	3.50
1870 6c embossed, fair copy	3.50	1.40
1871 12c, good copies	.50	.25
24c, " average copy	1.50	.60
90c, average copy	1.25	.50
1872 7c, fine (average 35c)	.75	.45
1890 90c purple, fine used	1.25	.75
*90c, o. g., superb	3.50	1.90
1878 *90c, " nice bright copy	7.50	3.00
1890 *1c to 90c, o. g., fine set	..	3.00
1893 Set *1c to $5.00, o. g. face	16.38	15.50
*$1.00, superb o. g.	2.75	1.75
$2.00, good used copy	2.25	1.45
Set 1c to 10c, used	..	.15
1898 Omaha, *1c to 10c, set o. g.	..	.55
1c to 10c, used	..	.18
1904 Louisiana, *1c to 10c, o.g, comp.	..	.45
*1c to 10c, used	..	.18
Dept. Agriculture, *1, *2, 3, 6, *10, *12, *15, *24, *30, 12c torn, others fair average	30.60	9.75
Executive *2c, fine	8.00	3.20
3c, average used	5.00	1.40
*10c, o. g., good stamp	10.00	4.00
P. O., set used and unused complete	..	2.75
Interior, set average	..	2.25
Navy, 15c good used copy	2.25	1.00
*30c, o. g., good	5.00	1.90
State, *1c, o.g	2.50	.90
Treasury, set complete	..	2.25
War, "	..	2.00
Periodicals 1865, *5c	2.50	1.25
1875, *9c, clipped at top	10.00	1.75
1895, *1c to $1.00, without gum	..	1.95
1895, *1c to $1.00, o. g., complete	..	2.75
Special Delivery, *10c orange, o. g	..	.15
Dues, 30 and 50c brown	2.25	.90
50c bright claret, fine	1.00	.40
Revenues, 1c Play. Cards, space filler	..	.90
4c Play. Cards, repaired, "	8.00	1.35
30c Foreign Exchange, fine	1.50	.70
$10.00 Probate of Will, "	1.00	.40
$15.00 ultramarine, nice copy, rare	15.00	6.00
$20.00 Conveyance, fine	..	.75
1898, $5 on Periodical (reading up)	4.00	2.00
1898, $100, nice lightly cut copy	6.00	2.90
FOREIGN		
Antigua, 1d No. 6, fine	2.50	1.00
6d No. 7, fine	1.00	.50
*6d " 16, o. g., scarce	1.25	.75
Argentine, 15c No. 13, fine	3.00	1.25
2 on 5c No. 31, slight tear, fine looking	4.00	1.25
2 on 5c not centered, fair only	4.00	.95
12c greenish blue, No. 46, fine, scarce	1.25	.75
1899, *16c o. g., fine, rare	1.50	1.20
Austria 1858, 3kr bl'k or gr'n, fine, either	..	.50
1890, *1 and *2 gul, o. g	4.00	1.75
Azores 1885, 1000 reis black	..	1.45
1895, *5r to *1000r, o. g., fine, compl.	..	4.00
1895, 5r to 100r, o. g., fine	..	.75
Bahamas 1884, 1£, pen cancelled	..	1.25
Barbadoes, 1d No. 2, fine	1.75	1.00
4d No. 4, fine, used	4.00	1.65
1sh " 9, "	2.50	1.45
*1sh o. g., No. 21, good	2.50	1.00
4d No. 17, good	3.00	1.25
3d " 38, very nice copy	4.00	1.75
5sh, hardly noticeable tear, price	10.00	4.75
*½d No. 44, o. g	2.50	1.00
1882, *5sh o. g., scarce	..	3.25
*1892, 1f to 2sh 6d, o. g	..	1.75
*1897, 1f to 2sh 6d, " rare set	8.85	5.25
Same used	..	4.25
Bavaria, *6kr br'n, o. g., No. 3, superb	..	.25
*1kr pink, No. 5, " superb	..	.30
*12kr red, " 6, " "	2.00	1.20
*1kr yellow, " 9, " "	..	.35
*3kr rose, " 10, " "	.75	.40
*9kr green, " 6, " "	..	.65
*12kr " " 13, " "	3.00	1.50
*18kr red, " 14, " "	8.00	3.00
Bechuanaland, 1sh No. 28, fine	2.00	1.20
Br. Central Africa, 6d ultramar., No. 4	..	.70
Brazil 1843, 30 reis, good copy	3.50	1.50
1843, 60r, good copy	..	.90
1843, 90r, space filler	12.00	2.90
1844, 10, 30, 60, 90, good	..	1.10
1844, 180r repaired, looks fine, rare	25.00	3.50
1878, *280r, good	5.00	1.90
1878, 700r, o. g	..	1.35
1878, 700r, used	..	1.10
Br. Columbia, 2½d No. 4, fair	5.00	1.50
5c No. 5, bright clean copy	6.00	1.90
Br. Honduras, 3d No. 9, fine used	3.50	1.40
*50c on 1sh No. 31, o. g., fine	..	.90
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*25c No. 47, o. g., fine, scarce	..	1.50
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Bulgaria, 50c on 1fr No. 32, scarce	..	1.25
Canada, 6d No. 5, good copy	6.00	2.00
6d, slight defects	6.00	1.20
½d, perf. fair only	7.00	2.25
1859, 2c	..	.65
1897, ½c to $5.00, nice used set	..	8.50
*$2 and $3, o. g., fine	..	3.75
Quebec, ½ to 20c, used	..	.55
*½c. o. g., block of 4	..	.10
½, 1, 2, 5, 7, used	..	.15
Canal Zone, 5c No. 2	2.50	1.20
10c No. 3	2.50	1.10
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Cape of G. Hope, 1d No. 1, fairly good	2.50	1.20
6d No. 5, good	3.00	1.25
1sh " 6, fair	4.50	1.90
6d gray, repaired (space filler)	6.00	1.00
1sh green, " "	4.50	1.00
1d on 1sh	2.00	.90
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6d No. 2, a bit clipped	5.00	1.50
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1864, 8d	2.00	.90
9d	1.75	.85
10d	1.75	.85
1sh	1.75	.80
1887, *1r 12c, o. g., fine	2.00	1.00
1898, *2r 50c, " "	..	1.75
1899, *1r 50c, " "	..	.90
*2r 25c, o. g., rare	..	2.50
1900, *1r 50c and *2r 25c	..	2.50
Dan. W. Indies, *3c No. 1, fair	5.00	1.25
*4c No. 4, slight thin spot	7.50	1.65
*14c " 12, not quite centered	14.00	5.50
Denmark, 2rs No. 1, no margins, rare	3.50	1.70
48s, fair copy	3.00	1.10
Falkland Is., *1d No. 1, o. g	6.50	2.25
6d No. 3	1.50	.90
1898, 2sh 6d No. 20	..	2.00
Fiji 1878, 2d No. 34	2.00	1.00
1892, *5sh, o. g	2.50	1.50
Finland, 10kr No. 2, nice copy	2.50	1.25
1m No. 11, good as average	6.25	1.25
1875, 32p No. 16	3.50	1.65
1885, 5 mark, scarce stamp	..	3.25
Fr. Colonies, 15c gray No. 33, fine	4.00	2.00
Gambia, 6d No. 10, space filler	3.75	.90
1887, *½ to 1sh, o. g	..	1.50
1898, ½ to 1sh, "	3.45	1.65
Gr. Britain, 10sh No. 109, fine copies	1.00	.60
1891, 1£ green	2.50	1.50
1901, 1£ "	2.50	1.50
Greece 1896, 1l to 10dr	..	4.75
1877, 60l No. 43, fine	2.50	1.20
1902, 1 and 2dr	.95	.45
Hayti, 20c imperf., No. 6	3.50	1.75
Hawaii, 15c No. 41, fine used	2.50	.95
*12c red lilac, o. g., fine	2.25	1.00
*25c o. g., fine	3.50	1.40
25c used "	3.00	1.10
1894-99, *1 to 24c, o. g., No. 74 to 82	..	.80
Hanover, 10gr slight thin spot, fine	15.00	5.00
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1902, 2r fine	..	.15
Gwalior 1896, *2r, o. g., fine	..	1.00
Ionian Is., set complete, not fine	4.75	1.40
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1897, *5sh o. g., fine	..	1.80
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Lagos, *1sh No. 17, o. g	1.00	.38
Mauritius, 6d No. 18, good	2.00	1.00
1sh No. 20, good	2.50	1.20
*2 on 17c o. g, No. 81, rare	..	2.25
*2r 50c No. 107, o. g	5.00	2.50
Natal, 5sh No. 56	3.00	1.20
1902, 1£ No. 96	4.50	2.20
Netherlands 1875, 2g 50c, fine	.90	50
1896, 5g, fine used, scarce	..	1.50
1896, *5g, o. g., slight tear face	2.00	1.85
Nevis, *6d No. 31	2.50	1.20
*1sh No. 32	7.50	3.40
New Brunswick, 3d, close at side	4.50	1.50
6d, good copy	20.00	6.25
1860, *1, 2, 5, 10, 12½, 17	1.62	.65
Newfoundland, *3d No. 3 o. g., fine	..	.90
*8d No. 8, fair copy	8.00	2.90
*4, 6, 1sh, o. g	3.10	1.40
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APPLICATIONS PENDING.

Fehlig, Burdette H.	Turnheim, C. S.
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Davis, T. J.	Atherton, H. P.

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Jerrems, Wm., Jr., 350 S. Spring St., Los Angeles, Cal.; age 41; Vice Pres. Reference: P. M. Wolsieffer. Proposed by W. M. Artman, No. 3201.

Hills, Frank K., 109 E. Main St., Ft. Wayne, Ind.; age 27; Manager. Reference: Nuttman & Co., Bankers, Ft. Wayne. Proposed by B. F. Egan, No. 2882.

Kaasen, S. A., 410 Mohawk Bldg., Spokane, Wash.; age 34; Adv. Manager. Reference: Amer. Scandavian Pub. Co. Proposed by Herbert Armstrong, No. 1452.

Dahlgren, C. U., P. O. Box 137, Gloster, Miss.; age 43; Manager. Reference: Bank of Gloster. Proposed by Louis Voss. No. 3384.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3829. Ramsay, Robt. E., Norfolk, Va.

3830. Fritsche, Walter, Burlington, Ia.

RESIGNATIONS RECEIVED.

2592. McIlree, Mrs. J. H., The Barracks, Regina, Sask, Canada.

2807. Paiara, D. C., Amsterdam, Holland.

2444. Hill, Edwin B., Mesa, Arizona.

DEATH REPORTED.

17. C. Witt, New York, N. Y.

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3196. Slocum, W. G., from Pawtucket, R. I., to 571 Massachusetts Ave., Boston, Mass.

2702. Angier, Robt., from Galesburg, Ill., to Riverside, Ill.

2404. Steinway, Theo E., from Brooklyn to Orchard St. and Jackson Ave., Long Island City, N. Y.

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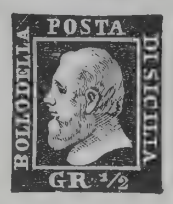

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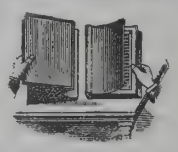

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ITEMS FROM THE ENGLISH PRESS.

BY CHARLES E. JENNEY.

The Philatelic Journal of Great Britain has an excellent article on "British Stamps Used in Chili" by D. Haworth. It is illustrated by cuts of the cancellations employed and contains a full list, so far as known, of the English stamps found used there. It is to be noted that the cancellation "C 40" used in Coquimbo, has never been found obliterating the stamp, so that entire covers are the only evidence, besides the records of its existence "C 30," "C37" and "C40" were the three numbers allotted to Chilian postoffices, applying to Valparaiso, Caldera and Coquimbo respectfully. In his concluding remarks the author states that the postal rates were in 1865 2 shillings, in 1870 18d and in 1878 6d, per half ounce, in view of which fact it is not quite evident why so many 1d and other low values are found used there.

The Postage Stamp for June 18th contains an interesting installment of Dalwigks' article on Prince Edward Island, dealing with the postmarks and cancellations in use. These are illustrated but apparently not by photographic process as they look like crude pen and ink imitations. We quote "A rather curious feature is that dated postmarks and town postmarks are rarely found obliterating the stamps, these particular cancellations usually being found on the left hand corner of the envelope or else on the back."

In the same magazine is a reprinted article from the *Daily Mail* on King George V's stamp collection. It will be remembered that he purchased at auction the 2d Postoffice Mauritius for $7,500. It is likely that this and probably most if not all of the rest of his collection are withdrawn from the visible supply for collectors as the effects of royalty do not often pass back into the regular channels.

Gibbons Stamp Weekly for June 18th has a continuation of Dr. Stenger's article on the 3kr postage due of Bavaria and contains a full size illustration of a full sheet, on which the different variations are easily pointed out.

Gibbons Stamp Weekly of June 25th has a pretentious article on Cape Wood Blocks by A. B. Creeke, Jr., in which he endeavors to locate the position in the sheets of the 1d and 4d errors. Photographic illustrations of the defaced original stereos or wood blocks, now in the South African Museum at Cape Town, are shown in the complete sheet form, but after the removal of the errors and readjustment of the others. Naturally this is a subject that cannot be followed far except by a few advanced philatelists, though the author shows that years ago wood blocks were pretty common.

The ardent philatelist halts at no obstacle or overwhelming odds of labor. How often have we had cause to wonder, after diligent search ourselves, to find that infinitely greater pains had been employed by some philatelist before us. These remarks called up by Maj. Evans' article on Soruth, continued in this number of *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* do not stop there, but recall many other illustrious pioneers in the untrodden paths of philately.

In this same number, the new ½d of Papua is described by W. T. Elliott in detail. It appears that no two stamps on a sheet are exactly alike and he tells us the distinguishing features.

We met with a positive shock, after perusing the foregoing articles, to come upon, immediately following, a rejuvenation of the old horse-hair trunk stamp story with all its well-worn earmarks and the original whiskers on it, and this too in *Gibbons Stamp Weekly*. It does not even have the redeeming feature of any new variation.

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(Several readers have sent us clippings relating the particulars of the seizure of a large quantity of socalled Labrador and U. S. stamps, at Montreal. These "stamps" have already been exploited in our columns but we spare the space to reprint a clipping sent in by James Ross as being of passing interest.—ED.)

If the quantity of stamps seized by the Dominion authorities in this city (Montreal—ED.) yesterday (July 13) were worth their face value then the seizure would have been for approximately one million dollars. As it is the stamps are valueless and it is doubtful, according to the authorities, if a case can be made against those persons having possession of the stamps.

The stamps bear a map of Labrador, part of Hudson Bay and the Island of Newfoundland on their face. On the margin the word Labrador is printed, and the words "U. S. A. Post Office" complete the make up.

The stamps were purchased by T. Atrofsky, a second hand dealer from Fraser's auction warerooms about a month ago and some of them were sold by Atrofsky to collectors. From stamp dealers the word has been received that the issue is valueless from a philatelic standpoint, and from a legal standpoint there is some doubt as to their infringement upon the Canadian Criminal Code, for the offence, if any, appears to be against the government of the United States. The stamps are not exactly counterfeits since they are very different from any issues extant.

Colonel Sherwood, of the Dominion Police, at whose orders the seizure was made will arrive in the city today and will investigate the matter in an effort to see if any prosecution will be made against those who handled the stamps.

There is no doubt in the minds of the police that the stamps were made for some purpose other than sale as curiosities, as the expense in connection with the make up of the series was very large. The theory adopted is that it is another variety of the green goods game that failed to pan out.

Inspector Giroux, of the Dominion Police, who has been working on the case, has discovered that the stamps were printed some time ago by the Montreal Litho. Company, 925 Ontario Street, East. A doctor living on Laurier Avenue ordered them and they were shipped to a man by the name of Hiller, at St. Pierre Miquelon. The case, it appears, was never claimed, and in the ordinary course, it was sold by auction, with other unclaimed goods. The second hand dealers, not knowing what the box contained, bought it for thirty cents.

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AMERICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY—*Continued from page 260.*

July 13, 1910.

The 287th regular meeting of Chicago Branch, No. 1, of the American Philatelic Society, was held in room 1108, 100 Washington St., on the evening of July 13th. Vice President Dahl called the meeting to order at 8.25 P. M., with the following members present: Bloss, Clark, Dahl, Farnham, Fowler, Lindquist, Lord, Roterberg.

On motion of Mr. Lindquist, the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with and all business postponed to the August meeting.

On motion of Mr. Lord, seconded by Mr. Roterberg, the meeting was adjourned at 8.35 as an expression of sympathy for our national president, Mr. Mudge, in his recent bereavement.

Next meeting August 11, 1910.

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The New England Philatelic Association.

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NEW YORK, July 7, 1910.

The meeting was called to order by the President at 9 P. M. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved after correction and several communications were acted upon. The rest of the evening was devoted to exchange and a very interesting talk on stamps. Next meeting July 21st.

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The new King of England is a stamp collector and has a collection said to contain 500,000 specimens. Enthusiastic stamp collectors believe that this taste will lead King George to make Britain's colonies the subject of special attention.

The reason for this belief lies in the fact that a large proportion of the postage stamps of the world have been issued by Britain and her colonies. As a collector from early youth George V could not help being interested in his British colonials, as philatelists call these stamps, and reading the history of the colonies in his stamp albums it would be only natural for him to be thus led to study the resources, needs and conditions of the colonies themselves.

Stamp collecting is no schoolboy affair. It necessitates keen attention to minute details. The history of the British colonies is placed in shadowy outline before the eyes of the assiduous stamp collector. George V as he went from one stamp dealer's shop to another in the West End of London, examined specimens of greater or less rarity and picked up his old Ceylons, Cape of Good Hope woodcuts, or perhaps British Guiana emergency two centers, could not help but have had the association of ideas between the date of issue and the colony itself create a corresponding desire to know more about that colony.

It is recalled that when the Boer delegates came to London to be received by the late King Edward, Prince George asked the Boers questions bearing minutely on South African conditions, and pleased them by his knowledge of the Transvaal, Orange Free State, Natal and Cape Colony. Who shall say that his rare triangular wood block errors, of which he has a large collection, didn't lead him to follow up all knowledge of South Africa that he could?

A stamp collector who discovers a new variety of stamp, feels the same joy that an astronomer feels who has discovered a new star. Stamp collecting is an exciting game that requires close attention and an eye and memory trained for color. To put it right up to the reader, the common everyday two cent stamps used in the United States were recently printed on bluish paper instead of the ordinary paper. Also some were printed on ribbed paper instead of the smooth paper ordinarily used. These stamps passed through the mail many times. How many would you notice? George V, stamp collector, would pick them out nearly as swiftly as a bank cashier could pick out counterfeit bills from a pack of banknotes.

The hobby of being an advanced stamp collector is exacting on the memory. George V must keep his whole collection of 500,000 specimens in his mind's eye while he buys. Its condition, color, variety, worn or new condition of plate from which it was printed and half a dozen other things must be remembered in the case of each stamp in the collection while he is examining new specimens to replace the ones he has to fill in old blanks.

When Prince George, representing King Edward in a tour of the Dominions Beyond the Seas and India, was in Toronto, a magnificent collection of the rare Canada twelve pence errors was temporarily collated from among the rich stamp collectors of the Dominion for his inspection. The Prince was delighted. He pored over the little black specimens of the stamps that were only used a single day in the '50s because they had been lettered "twelve pence" when they should have been lettered "one shilling" and were withdrawn. He passed nearly two hours over the two dozen squares of paper, valued at from $750 each up to $1,500 for the finer specimens. Attendants fumed over delayed appointments of a purely formal nature while he talked twelve pence errors, showing full knowledge of the condition of upper Canada and lower Canada, now Ontario and Quebec, at the time of their issue.

The collection of postage stamps started at school by the young son of the Prince of Wales may have had a potent influence in building up the character of King George and may have helped to make him an imperialist rather than a little Englander. The colonies may loom large in the activities of the new King, for his entire empire is spread before him in his morocco bound volumes of history holding postage stamps.

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The Indians had always called the place Yon-do-ti-ga, "a great village"; but the French first give it the name of Fort Pontchartrain in honor of their colonial minister. However, the colonists insisted on calling their new home Detroit, the "City of the Straits," and this name it has retained for more than two hundred years.

Detroit is one of the few American cities that has been under three flags and two of them twice. The French flag waved until 1760, when the English became masters and with the defeat of Tecumseh at the battle of the Thames they were firmly established and remained until General Wayne conquered the region for the new American republic in 1796. It again passed under the control of the English in 1813, but the occupancy was very short, as the victory of Commodore Perry on Lake Erie gave the whole northwest territory to the United States.

Detroit has never been known as a boom town, its growth and development being steady and permanent decade after decade for going on 210 years. Before the coming of the railroads, its magnificent river made it an important shipping point, and it so remains today, only more important than ever.

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Once again we wish to remind all members of the A. P. S. that we shall not be able to continue their subscriptions to the WEEKLY beyond the present fiscal year. By courtesy of the P. O. Dept. we were privileged to fill out our contract, but all subscriptions must be promptly discontinued.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Approaching—When Detroit was selected as the convention city for the American Philatelic Society in 1910, the enthusiasm that acclaimed the choice was construed as an augury of a very large attendance at that city. While we cannot say that developments have discouraged this hope yet we abjure all those who are in a position to do so, to dwell upon the importance of a good numerical showing at Detroit. The more preliminary advertising that the convention receives the better attended it is likely to be; and with the natural attractions at Detroit and the presence of a band of hospitable local philatelists, the city may fairly be starred as an ideal convention seat for the A. P. S. It is devoutly wished that those who regularly attend the yearly festival will be present in force this year; but the new faces are the ones that should have the warmest welcome. We verily believe that the trip to Detroit will well be worth while. The convention sessions may develop some points of engrossing interest; action may be taken on ambitious projects; philatelic work of a serious character may be started; and the convention's social side gives promise of being ably handled.

Strong Showing Wanted—The wish for a large attendance at Detroit is based on several reasons. One of the advantages of membership is the privilege of meeting together annually; and we want every member to derive the maximum of benefits. Outside of this consideration there is one that may be strongly emphasized; and that is the moral effect of a strong numerical body on outsiders. The influence of numbers is well known to those who have studied the art of impressing the outside public; and a largely attended national convention will be accepted on its face value and as indicating the strength of philately. The day has passed when philatelists can afford to affect a careless disregard for public opinion as to their pursuit. It is now our aim to impress the public by a display of the strength of philately.

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What Are They—A newspaper despatch tells of the seizure at Montreal, Canada, by the federal authorities of "Labrador postage stamps with a face value of $400,000 on suspicion that they are forgeries. The stamps are in 25 cents, 50 cents and $1 denominations." Are these labels the bogus issue of Labrador mentioned previously in the stamp papers or an altogether new concoction?

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Too Hard—The problem propounded by Louis G. Barrett, Boston, for the correct answer to which the illustrious Parnassus Penflip offered a prize has not been solved; and for the second time, Mr. Barrett has achieved the distinction of having asked a philatelic question that has proved invulnerible to the mental sallies of our readers. The question is repeated: On what British colonial stamp now obsolete was the denomination shown in two conflicting terms of the same currency; and without resorting to a surcharge? The following is the answer as submitted by Mr. Barrett: The Victoria "Too Late" stamp, Gibbons No. 351, Scott No. 451, has SIX PENCE in lower label and ONE SHILLING in the background directly over the lower label. Mr. Barrett observes: "This is proof that the 'Registration' stamp, Gibbons **No. 361**, Scott No. 401, was engraved first, having the words ONE SHILLING engraved in the background, as well as appearing in the lower label. The stamp being printed in two colors, rose and blue, necessitated a separate plate for the inscriptions 'Registered' in the upper label and ONE SHILLING in lower label. The plate for the body design of this stamp was afterwards used for the same purpose for the TOO LATE stamp, the inscription in the background evidently being overlooked. A new plate reading TOO LATE for upper label and SIX PENCE for lower label, on being used with the former background plate thus produced the stamp with the conflicting values."

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Details—The ONE SHILLING inscription above the SIX PENCE on the Victoria TOO LATE is in minute colorless letters; "one" at left and "shilling" at right. Even the keenest eye may not detect the words when the specimen is canceled and the TOO LATE stamp is excessively rare unused; and so, the glass becomes almost indispensible to properly illustrate the peculiarity. Consulting an authority on the stamps of Victoria, we find the information: "The Too Late were printed from the same block as the Registered stamps. In each case the denomination and value were impressed by means of metal type, and the border to the one shilling was also of metal. This was done by a second printing. . . . The sale of the Too Late stamps was very small, being only about half a sheet per diem. As their designation denotes, they were used for payment on letters posted after the usual time for closing the mails. . . . The Registered and Too Late stamps were printed in sheets of 100 on white wove unwatermarked paper."

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It Was This Way—The terms of the contest were such as to debar the different countries that naturally would be the first to come to the minds of collectors in this connection. Heligoland, as a British colony, had stamps on which two different currencies were expressed, and not the same currency. Canada and Prince Edward Island with their "sterling" and "currency" systems become ineligible on the count just cited. Falkland Islands, Victoria, Western Australia, with "Half-a-Crown" and "2/6" or "Eighteen Pence" and "1/6" do not show conflicting terms. None of the contestants, and there was a host of them, named the stamp nominated by Mr. Barrett and so, for a second time, fate decrees that the Penflip prize is not to be awarded. Perhaps, it is better that such is the case, as at present the great man is sulking in his tent, to all appearances; at least, he has not acknowledged the receipt of the unused three-dollar Columbian, without gum, and with thin spot, that we sent him to apply on his account against us. Should the prize have been won, Parnassus Penflip, because of our recent discord, might refuse, in a burst of petulance so often indulged in by those grand creatures who are all temperament, to award the prize. Then, we suppose that it would be expected of us that we give the prize of a stamp whose facial expression would not be less than five shillings; of course in that event we should have had to announce a raise in advertising rates for the near future.

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Chinese Change—Another change of currency is proposed for China; and if the new standard is adopted, the American system of units will prevail. The following section of the imperial decree covers the changes:

"It is commanded that the unit of national currency shall be the yuan or dollar, and the standard be temporarily silver. The dollar shall be the principal currency and shall weight 7 mace and 2 candareens. The subsidiary coinage shall be three silver coins of 50, 25 and 10 cent denominations; the nickel coin, or 5 cents, and four copper coins of 2 cents, 1 cent, 5 cash, and 1 cash.

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Spoke up and said with coughing sound,
"Why all of us have come from there—
Are any autos made elsewhere?"

Then coughed a car with visage glum,
As though its spark were on the bum:
"I didn't come from there, but Gad!
I wish to thunder that I had!"

CHAS. R. MORRIS FOR A. P. S. SECRETARY.

The Managing Editor of the WEEKLY has had very little to say in regard to the campaign for the secretaryship of the A. P. S. Editor Severn, in several editorials, has made it understood that the WEEKLY believes in Mr. Morris' candidacy, and the Managing Editor wishes to place emphasis upon the splendid qualities possessed by Mr. Morris, who is an ideal candidate. Our vote will be cast for him and we take especial pleasure in recommending his candidacy to every member of the Society, and especially those new members we have been privileged to introduce to Society membership during the past three years. Have your ballot read for Chas. R. Morris!

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Editor MEKEEL'S WEEKLY:

In looking over a number of U. S. 1907 envelopes, I noticed the following different watermarks, which may be of interest to collectors.

'07 A No. 1. Top of right arm of "U" large; left arm at top square. "7" curves to right. Top of "1" of 1907 4mm. from "U".

No. 2. Top right arm of "U" small. 1 of 1907 1mm. from "U". Down stroke of "7" 1mm. from "O".

No. 3. Top of right arm of "U" small. Diamond in "U" with handles. Down stroke of "7" straight, 2½mm. from "O". Top of "1" 3½mm. from "U". Bottom of "S" 10mm. from "U".

'07 B No. 1. "S" 8mm. from "U". "D" 3mm. from "S". Long 9. "U" 31mm. long. Right top of arm of "U" small. Small "O" in "P O D".

No. 2. "S" 6mm. from "U". "D" 1mm. from "S". Short 9. "U" 32mm. long. Right top of arm of "U" large. Large "O" in "P O D".

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WASHINGTON, D. C., July 13.—Interesting figures are contained in the estimate of the postmaster-general as to the number of postage stamps which will be needed to supply the people of the United States in this fiscal year. The figures show an increase all along the line and are as follows:

One-cent, 4,024,000,000; 2-cent, 5,322,300,000; 3-cent, 66,700,000; 4-cent, 94,800,000; 5-cent, 117,500,000; 8-cent, 34,800,000; 10-cent, 80,900,000; 13-cent, 4,800,000; 15-cent, 12,900,000; 50-cent, 700,000; $1, 1,000,000; special delivery, 15,100,000.

Postage due—1-cent, 11,300,000; 2-cent, 30,900,000; 3-cent, 700,000; 5-cent, 1,900; 10-cent, 5,700,000; 30-cent, 10,000; 50-cent, 10,000.

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Some Stamp Premiums

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"	1890, 1c to 1p,	11 var.,	cat. .50
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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

Edited by HENRY A. KIDDER.

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AUSTRIA.—According to *Die Post* a commemorative set is to be issued Aug. 18, on the occasion of the 80th birthday of the Emperor Francis Joseph. There will be two types, one for the values from 1sh to 1kr, and the other for the 2, 5 and 10kr values. All the stamps will bear the dates, "1830-1910." The quantities to be printed, says *Die Post*, will be limited to 10,000 copies of each value.

BERMUDA.—*Ewen's Weekly* says that the new ½d stamps are printed in sheets of 120 stamps in 10 rows of 12, instead of divided into panes of 60 stamps, as has hitherto been the invariable custom of De La Rue & Co. The margins are plain and show no plate numbers.

BOLIVIA.—*Lemaire's Journal* notes that the 10 and 20c and 2b values of the commemorative set chronicled in No. 987, have been seen with inverted centres.

CHILE.—A correspondent of *Ewen's Weekly* sends the following notes regarding new postage due surcharges:

After the previous Postage Due stamps were done away with, letters were hand-stamped with a horizontal oval inscribed "MULTADA" at top, "VALPARAISO 1" (or as may be) at foot, and "Cts" with space in the centre, the amount being filled in with ink or pencil after "Cts."

The "Valparaiso 1" is now being used to overprint all the stamps in current use (vertically, in black, reading up or down).

The set just received is as follows:

Postage Due Adhesives.

With hand-stamped overprint in black.

(A) Reading up "Multada—Valparaiso 1."

(B) Reading down "Multada—Valparaiso 1."

(C) Reading up "Multada—Correo."

On Scott's No. 28.

25c yellow brown (A).

On Scott's No. 53.

Telegraph stamp, surcharged in black. "Correos—12 Centavos."

12c on 5c red (A).

On Scott's No. 29.

1p brown and black (B).

On Scott's Nos. 54 to 58 and 60 to 63.

1c green (B).
2c rose (A).
3c brown (A).
5c blue (A).
10c grey and black (A).
15c violet and black (A).
20c brown and black (A).
30c green and black (C).
50c blue and black (B).

The surcharge A looks as if it might be provisional and intended to be superseded by C.

There appears to be considerable speculation going on in Valparaiso just now in postal circles; the 12c and the 1 peso of the current issue are, for instance, only on sale at the General Post Office at a premium!

COLOMBIA.—*Ewen's Weekly* reports that the 1c of the current set has now appeared without imprint of the printer at the foot.

FRANCE.—*Offices in Morocco.*—Thanks to *Lemaire's Journal* we are now able to give further particulars regarding the new stamps chronicled last week. The 35c postage stamp is a new value in 1902 set, called the "Rights of Man," the surcharge being in black. The postage due stamps have the new value in "Centimos" surcharged in black on the 30c and 50c "Recouvrements" stamps of France.

20th Century

4c Pan-Am. Invert., very fine	$45.00
So. Nigeria, 10sh mult., very scarce	6.25
Spain, 40c rose	.12
Uruguay, 8c on 10c	.15
" 23c on 25c	.40
" Official 1905 & 1908, both sets complete.	

ALSO

German S. W. Africa, 25pf No. 11	5.75
" Marshall, 1st set, mint	9.50
Finland 1892, 7 rouble, "	6.25
" " 1 "	1.15

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GREAT BRITAIN.—As noted in No. 1015 the 2d stamps have been printed in a new design, which is thus described in the *London Philatelist*, the editor of which has been privileged to see a specimen of the new design:

The design consists of the head of King Edward VII to left within a small white central circle, surmounted by a small crown. The inscriptions in block white letters, "POSTAGE" "& REVENUE" are contained in curved labels, respectively to left and right of the head, of solid colour. Beneath the central design is an oval of solid colour, terminating in a point in the centre below, containing "2d." in large white letters. The upper and lower portions of the design are filled in with florid ornamental scroll, and the colour is of a medium bright mauve shade, while the perforation gauges, as usual, 14, and the watermark is the normal Crown.

A large number of these stamps have been printed, but it seems that, owing to recent events, it is not yet settled whether they will be issued.

MEXICO.—Mr. Schachne sends a card which takes the place of the provisionals 4 on 3c of 1902; no change in design or size.

Post Card.

4c red on pale buff.

NEW ZEALAND.—Mr. Irwin Faris contributes some interesting notes on the official stamps to the *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly:*

The following is a complete list according to my collection:

Perf. 14, rough (Cowan paper, wmk. S. G. 41).

1. ½d light yellow-green (not 310B which is really olive-green), not catalogued in ordinary issues.
2. ½d deep yellow-green (ditto).
3. 1d, 1904 die (dot at centre), B No. 303.
4. 1d, 1906 die (no dot), see note below No. 303B.
5. 1d, 1906 die, dot at left upper corner, not catalogued in ordinary issues.
6. 2d dull violet, No. 287.
7. 2d purple, No. 288.
8. 2d rosy-purple (1909 issue).
9. 3d bistre-brown, large die, No. 290.
10. 3d bistre, large die, No. 290A.

11 & 12. 3d, worn die, of both of foregoing colours.

13. 6d pink, large die, No. 296A.
14. 1sh pale red, large die, No. 297B.
15. 2sh blue-green, No. 298A.
16. 5sh vermilion, No. 299.
17. 20sh rose, No. 499C.

Varieties.

Overprints in both "thin" and "thick" letters are found on the 1d and 2d.

Overprints as per S. G. type 83 (viz.: L and period joined) exist only on the 1d, 2d and 3d, other values have period separate from lettering. The 1d, 2d and 3d also exist with separate period (i. e., both types exist in these values).

The 1d and 2d have three forms of L. The 1d exists with period missing.

The measurements of imprints (from outside of O to outside of vertical line of L at centre of each), vary thus:

Nos. 1, 2, 3, 9 to 14, 16 and 17—15 millimetres.

Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8—15 to 16 millimetres.

No. 15—15 to 15½ millimetres.

18. The 6d exists "imperf. between" vertically.

18A. The 1d (1906) exists in "booklet" form, viz.: imperf. at bottom.

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Perf. comb 14×13, 13½ (Cowan, wmk. S. G. 41).

19. 6d, small die, pink, No. 318. Overprint is 15 mm.

Perf. comb. 14×15 (Cowan, wmk. S. G. 41).

20. ½d green, No. 320.
21. 1d carmine, No. 321.
22. 6d, small die, pink, No. 324.

Varieties.

The measurement of overprint is from 14½ to 15 mm. on 1d, and 15 mm. on ½d and 6d.

Perf. comb 14×15, "Dominion" design, issued 1909. (Cowan wmk. S. G. 41).

23. 1d carmine, not yet catalogued. Overprint 15 mm.

GENERAL.

The overprints were probably from stereos (probably in blocks of 6 or 12) and some of the variations in thickness and length of lettering are probably due to wear or "flatting" of relief portions of blocks, or to a number of blocks having been cast in same mould. The later printings being noticeably clearer and finer are probably electros and should wear much better.

The positions of imprints on stamps vary considerably, being to right or left or above figure, low on stamp or high on stamp. A few sheets of light yellow green (same colour as No. 1) were issued, without imprint, but they are very scarce.

No. 3 is very rare, and No. 4 scarce. No. 8 is scarce.

NETHERLANDS.—As announced in No. 1017 the 17½c stamp has been issued in new colors, according to *Ewen's Weekly.*

Adhesive.

17½c blue and black.

ROUMANIA.—*Lemaire's Journal* reports that a new series of postage due stamps is shortly to be issued, consisting of nine values, some of which are new to this country. The series will include 2, 5, 10, 15, 20, 30, 50 and 60 bani and 2 lei stamps.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.—*Ewen's Weekly* reports the 5sh large form in pink, on Crown SA paper, and perforated 12½ instead of 12.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—*Malay States.*—The Federated Malay States are to imitate the Straits Settlements proper, by issuing stamps of $100 and $250, primarily for fiscal use.

TURKEY.—A provisional is noted by *Champion's Bulletin*, the 5 piastres stamp of 1909 have been overprinted with new value.

Provisional Adhesive.

2pi on 5pi bistre.

We print the above item with a reservation, as the color given would indicate that this provisional is of the paras value, as was indicated in No. 1017.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—In our news article last week on the Salvador "15 Sept." provisional, our description erred in calling the paper "wove watermarked." It is simply wove paper.

—Clippings acknowledged with thanks from C. Davidson, Chas. C. Gallagher, Harry Griffin, W. H. Gilley (3), Cleveland Bundlie, T. C. Mann and James Ross.

—We are indebted to Herbert S. Johnson, W. A. Kain and E. Willer, also an A. P. S. subscriber in Easton, Pa., for back numbers of the WEEKLY.

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1851 1c *, $1.00; used	..	.15
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1861 3c pink * (used 3.00)	50.00	16.00
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6c, *	3.50	1.00
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Lot of 144, used and *	..	2.00

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$5 Conveyance, imperf. pair	3.00	.75
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1871 Prop'y, violet p	7.50	1.00
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Canada 1857, ½d "ribbed"	15.00	5.00
56 var	4.58	1.00
38 "	10.15	2.45
Lot of unused at face	..	1.00
1892, 20c, 50c *, o. g.	..	.75
Registered 8c blue	..	1.00
Ceylon, 1d No. 1, used	4.00	1.50
10d " 37, "	1.50	.65
2sh " 58, "	2.00	.75
1903, 75c, CA, "mint"	1.25	.60
Lot of 30 var., used	14.10	2.70
Lot of 20 " *, o. g.	5.03	1.25
Corea (3), China (24), all *	6.75	1.60
Chinese Treaty Ports (29 var.*)	..	1.00
Congo, 9 var. o. g.	2.14	.80
Costa Rica, 25 var	2.16	.45
Lot of 32 var	2.28	.50
Lot of 83 "	6.86	1.65
Cyprus 1880, ¼d No. 1*, o. g.	2.50	1.00
6d No. 5*, o. g., ctd. E	6.00	2.00
Lot of 10 var., used	5.54	1.20
Danish W. I., lot of 25	5.91	1.70
Denmark, lot of 32 var., used	4.20	.90
Lot of 39 " "	5.77	1.40
1870, 48c	3.00	.75
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Ecuador, lot of 16 var., choice	1.78	.40
Egypt 1866, 1-10pia, set India proofs	..	1.50
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Lot of 59 var. with Soudan	10.48	2.50
Falkland, 15 var., all * o. g., choice	7.65	2.70
Fiji 1892, 5d on 6d No. 54, * o. g.	2.00	.70
Finland, lot of 24 var., used	2.15	.50
France 1852, 10c bistre, "	2.50	1.00
1849, 15c green, "	2.50	.70
1853, 80c lake, " 3c each; 10 for		.20
In China 1894, 5c-1frc, * o. g.	4.81	1.80
Gambia 1869, 4d CC, No. 3, nice used copy	12.00	6.00
No. Germ. Post Dist. '68, roul. ¼, ½, 2g, ⅓s, all *	5.75	2.00
Gt. Britain, 2½d No. 57, mint	1.25	45
2sh brown, No. 77, used	18.00	5.00
Lot of 66 var	12.03	2.40
Guatemala, lot of 87 var	12.08	2.70
Hamburg, 1¼, 2½r, Nos. 3, 4, 7*	9.50	2.25
2, 3, 4s, Nos. 6, 9, 10s*	6.25	1.55
Hanover, 10 var., used	4.36	1.25

HAWAII "MINT" COPIES

1871 1c No. 30	.20	.09
6c " 33	.60	.23
1882 1c " 37	.10	.05
10c " 40	1.25	.50
1883-6 1c " 42	.10	.05
10c " 45	1.25	.50
12c " 46	2.25	.90
Same in block of four	..	3.00
1893 Prov'l Gov't, 1c No. 53 or 54 each	.20	.09
5c No. 59	.20	.08
10c " 61	.40	.15
25c " 64	1.50	.60
1894 12c " 78	.30	.15
Hayti 1881, 20c brown, used	3.50	1.10
Hong Kong, seven rare, "	6.75	1.50

ICELAND "MINT" COPIES

1873 4s No. 2	.25	.10
8s " 3	1.50	.65
16s " 4	3.50	1.50
3s " 5	1.25	.55
4s " 6	3.50	1.75
16s " 7	1.25	.55
1876 5a " 8	1.25	.55
20a " 13	1.00	.50
40a " 14	1.50	.60
4a " 30	.15	.07
4s " 153	.25	.10
Blocks of four of some at same rate.		
India, 48 var., grand lot	10.46	2.50
Jamaica, 22 var., used	3.05	.70
Japan, lot of 34 var.	..	10.30
5 sen No. 59, "mint"	2.50	.90
2 " " 11, "	3.00	1.00
Lagos, 1sh orange No. 17, "mint"	1.00	.35
Same in blocks of four	..	1.50
1883, 6d olive No. 21 "mint"	1.00	.40
1886-91, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7½, 10c *o.g.	..	.75
Meckl'g Stltz, 1sg purple *	5.00	1.00
¼, ¼, ⅓sg *	6.50	2.00
Meckl'g Scw'n, 3sc No. 7a, used	4.00	1 20
4-4s " 1, "	2.50	1.00
Mauritius, lot of 48 var	20.30	5.10
10 rare var	5.43	1.20
Mexico 1864, 3c brown * o.g., rare	50.00	18.60
Lot of 61 var	16.37	2.90
Lot of 72 "	23.24	4.15
1867, 100c No. 64, superb used copies	..	.75
Natal, lot of 17 var., used	11.60	2.35
1878, 5sh Nos. 56 or 57, used	3.00	1.00
Nevis 1867, 4d used	6.50	1.75
New Brunswick, 3 pence, used	4.50	2.00
6 " "	20.00	9.00
Newfoundland, 4d No. 12, used, close	20.00	5.00
6½d " 7, "	60.00	16.25
2d " 2, used, "	45.00	11.00
3d green *	2.00	.85
Lot of 16 var	10.38	2.00
1866, 12c, mint	1.00	.35
24c, mint	..	.45
3c vermilion *, o. g., superb	4.50	2.00
1876, 1, 2, 3, 5, rouletted	3.85	1.00
Lot of 25 var., all mint	6.92	2.35
Cabot set, mint, face	2.15	2.50
3c blue No. 32 *, o. g.	2.50	1.00
N. So. Wales, lot of 35 var	9.07	2.00
Unpaid, ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6d, used	5.90	2.00
5sh mint, at face	..	1.25
10sh used	4.50	1.50
New Zealand, 11, old var., used	8.40	2.40
1873-8 set, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6d, 1sh, used	4.53	1.20
Lot of 36 var	8.55	2.00
Niger Coast, 9 var., mint	3.51	1.10
Nossi-Be, Unpaid, 10 on 5, No. 109, mint	1.50	.60
Nova Scotia, 6d green, defective	8.00	2.00
Panama, lot of 18 at face	..	.80
10c No. 2 *, o. g.	17.50	7.00
Parma, lot of 6 var., used	9.45	2.00
Persia, 16 var	4.30	1.10
Peru, lot of 14 var	..	4.20
Philippine, lot of 33 var	4.30	.80
1870, 10c, mint gems	.50	.22
On U. S., 2, 3, 5, 10, 15, in pairs, mint	5.44	2.00
50c, mint	2.50	.70
Porto Rico, lot of 20 var	5.22	1.10
Lot of 52 var	8.17	1.90
1890, ½m, mint, 2c each, 10 for		.15
2m, " 5c " 10 "		.35
4m olive, mint	1.25	.50
1891-3, 40c blue, "	.75	.30
1894, 40c claret, "	.50	.20
1898, 15c mint, 5c each; 10 for		.35
80c " each	..	.20
Lot of 74 var	8.40	2.00
Lot of 9 " blks. or pairs, mint	3.52	.90
Portugal, lot of 13, used	5.39	1.20
1871, 240r "	4.50	1.00
P. Edw. Island, 6d perf. 9, used	10.00	2.50
1872, 6d *, o. g., each	..	.90
Prussia 1868, set *, o. g.	..	1.30
Rhodesia 1891, £1 *, at face	..	5.00
£2 pen c., 1.00; £5, 1.50; £10	..	1.00
Queensland, lot of 30 var	9.38	2.30
1886, 5sh *, o. g., at face	..	1.25
10sh at face	..	2.50
Russia Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, all *, fine	5.75	2.00
3, 5k, Nos. 13, 14, * o. g.	..	2.75
Foreign Offices, 12 var. *, o.g.	2.80	1.10
St. Helena, lot of 9 var	..	11.75
5sh unused, o. g.	..	1.50
1d No. 11 *, o. g.	1.50	.50
St. Lucia 1864, 4d No. 8; 1sh No. 10, used	5.25	1.35
4d, 6d, 1sh, perf. 14, "	7.50	2.00
1d No. 11 *, o. g.	1.00	.35
1881-2, ½d CC, ½d, 1d CA, * o. g.	3.85	1.25
1883-5, 6d lilac *	12.50	4.00
1sh brown orange*	27.50	10.00
Both lack gum, otherwise superb.		
St. Pierre-M'n, 5c No. 22, .05; 10c No. 34, .15, 15c No. 23, .09; 40c No. 28, 50c. all mint.		
St. Vincent, 4d No. 6, used	5.00	1.70
2½ on 1, No. 52, each	..	.03
1d drab, " 41 *	1.50	.50
Saxony 1855, 10ng, used	4.50	1.75
Schleswig-Holstein 1864, 1¼s No. 18 on cover, each	..	.20
Servia, 1pa No. 1, superb *, o. g.	3.00	1.00
Somali Coast 1903, 2fr, 5fr, each at face		1.40
So. Australia 1880, SPECIMEN, £1, 50c; £5, 1.50; £10, 2.50; £15, 3.50; £20 at		4.25
Straits, 10c on 30, No. 25, used	1.50	.50
Swazieland, ½, ½, 1, 2d, 1sh *, o. g.	2.60	.95
Tasmania, 4d No. 2, used	4.00	1.70
Lot of 16	6.34	1.60
Tobago 1879-80, 6d	4.00	1.00
5sh, probably cleaned	25.00	4.50
1880, 1d*, superb	7.00	2.75
1d*, "	4.00	1.60
7d, rare var., * o. g.	7.75	2.10
Transvaal, 1d No. 1 *, o. g.	8.00	3.00
Trinidad, 1d No. 18, 1d No. 22, fair, used	16.00	3.50
1d No. 12, repaired	15.00	2.50
1d " 39, *	4.50	1.50
Lot of 16 varieties	11.04	2.20
Turks Island 1881, 4 on 6d, No. 29, used	5.00	1.75
1881, 4d ultra	3.00	1.00
Trinidad 1884, ½, 1, 2, 4, 6d, 1sh, mint	2.04	.65
Two Sicilies, Naples, 20g, used	2.50	1.00
Virgin Islands 1880, 1d green, mint	2.00	1.00
1883, ½d green, mint, at 5c each, per dozen		.50

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$25.00 Mortgage, imperf	25.00	10.00
Barbadoes 1873, 5sh used	10.00	4.50
Br. Guiana 1852, 4c blue reprint	..	3.50
1860, 1c pink*, o. g., mint, reprint	..	5.00
Br. Honduras 1884-7, 6d No. 16	20.00	10.00
1sh gray*, o. g.	20.00	10.00
1900, 25c No. 50a, BEVENUE, mint	..	4.00
1900, $5.00, "	..	5.75
Canada 1857, ½d No. 8	3.50	1.75
1855, 10d*	40.00	13.50
1857, 7½d close, used	15.00	5.00
Colom. Repub. 1861, 2½r black*	40.00	15.00
5c yellow, used, very fine	5.00	2.00
10c used, very fine	5.00	2.00
20c very fine	5.00	2.50
1p pen c., very fine	7.50	2.50
Cauca, 5c No. 2*	150.00	40.00
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Cnba 1883, 10 on 20c No. 114a, very rare, used	20.00	10.00
Danish W. Indies 1872, 4c blue * o. g.	7.00	3.00
Denmark, 8s No. 8*	10.00	5.00
Dutch Indies Unp'd 1874, 5c No. 150, used, rare	15.00	6.00
Egypt 1866, 5pia rose*	7.50	4.00
Fiji 1871, 1d No. 6*, rare	6.00	3.50
Gambia 1880, 1sh green, used	10.00	6.00
Leeward Isl. 1897, 1sh No. 15, mint	12.50	7.00
5sh " 16, "	17.50	9.00
Mauritius, 1sh No. 21, used	6.00	3.00
1sh " 23, "	10.00	4.50
Natal 1857, 3d " 1, very good indeed, used	11.00	3.35
1903, £1-10, used	..	3.00
Oldenburg 1852, ⅓g No. 4*	12.00	5.00
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Saxony No. 1, used, close	35.00	7.00
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5c " 15*, close	20.00	3.50
Tonga 1896, ½ on 7½ on 2d*	15.00	7.50
Trinidad 1896, £1 used	..	3.00
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Grubbs, T. Elmer, M. D, 1324 E. Adams St., Los Angeles, Cal.; age 22, M. D. Reference: Security Savings Bank. Proposed by James Guy, No. 2141.

Johnston, Guy, Eagle Hotel, Grand Rapids, Mich.; age 34; Boniface. Reference: Richard Warner, Colonial Salt Co. Proposed by Eugene Telfer, No. 3001.

Owen, A. E., 81 Grove St., Montclair, N. J.; age legal; C. E. Reference: J. W. Scott, New York. Proposed by Chas. R. Morris, No. 2629.

Echols, J. C., Box 92, Ardmore, Okla; age 18; Printer. Reference: Parker Printing Co. Proposed by L. G. Quackenbush, No. 2675. Guaranteed by Mrs. M. Echols, 820 A St.

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2712. Laird, B. W., from Neodesha, Kans. to Trinidad, Colo.

1710. Challoner, Henry, from Alcatraz Ave. to 1605 Harmon St., Berkeley, Cal.

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By FRED J. MELVILLE.

The Great Shilling Green Forgery Recalled.—Twelve years ago, in the early part of 1898, the surprising discovery was made that twenty-six years earlier the British Post Office had been the unsuspecting victim of a forgery involving a considerable amount of loss to the revenue.

The full extent of the fraud has never been known, but the new discovery with which we are now concerned and which is communicated to the public for the first time in *The Postage Stamp* this week will shew it to have been vastly more extensive than has hitherto been suspected.

It will be remembered that Mr. C. Nissen discovered the forgery of the 1s green stamp *plate* 5. Mr. Lewis May, of King William Street, has now shewn me undoubted forged copies of the 1s *plate* 6, and the postmarks shew that the fraud was going on for more than twelve months, and possibly for a considerably longer period.

The History of the Fraud.—The history of this fraud has never been fully discussed and consequently many collectors of Great Britain stamps are not familiar with the whole of the circumstances which made it possible. I therefore purpose to briefly review these circumstances, and afterwards examine the new evidence of the duration of the imposture.

The Transfer of the Telegraphs.—In 1868 Parliament had brought before it for consideration a Bill authorising the Government to purchase the Telegraphs of the United Kingdom, and the Bill having been passed and become law, the transfer of the lines from the Telegraph Companies to the Post Office took place in January, 1870. The uniform rate for private messages was fixed at one shilling for twenty words, and threepence for every extra five words or less. Previous to the transfer of the telegraphs there had been great uncertainty amongst the public as to the rates, as they were subject to distances and to varying tariffs of a number of companies. Consequently the adoption of a fixed uniform rate encouraged a great increase in the use of the telegraphs, and the first year under the Post Office there were 8,606,000 messages sent, exclusive of Press and News telegrams, which total increased to 11,760,000 in 1871, and 14,858,000 in 1872. The next year 1873 the total had risen to 17,346,000. It was not until 1885 that the shilling minimum was reduced to the sixpence rate for 12 words now in vogue.

The transfer of the Telegraphs to the Post Office involved a great increase of staff and some disorganization owing to inadequate accommodation at the General Post Office, and it seems probable that about this time the Post Office took into its service the culprit who was to manipulate the only forgeries which are known to have defrauded the British Post Office.

The Extensive Use of Shilling Stamps.—We have seen that a vast number of private telegrams were handled in the years from 1870 onwards, for which the minimum charge was 1s. The largest numbers would be sent at the minimum rate or with a few additional words, bringing the charge up to 1s 3d or 1s 6d. The 1s postage stamp of the period which was used to denote the charge or portion of the charge on the great bulk of these messages handed in at Postal Telegraph Offices was a green stamp, printed on a machine-made paper, watermarked with a device known to philatelists as "spray of rose." The stamp had large white letters in the four corners, and each stamp bore the number of the plate from which it was printed, in a white figure on a square tablet of colour at each side of the oval bearing the late Queen's portrait.

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Altogether, of this type of stamp on "spray of rose" paper, between August, 1867, and July, 1873, there were officially printed 48,598,800 stamps, representing a total face value of £2,429,900.

The Stock Exchange Telegraph Office.—Now one of the offices which had the greatest use for the shilling stamps for telegrams after the transfer was the Stock Exchange Telegraph Office, London, E. C., which must have used thousands of shilling stamps daily in the transaction of stockbrokers' business. It was here that in 1872 the first discovered forgeries of the shilling green stamp had been used, and the whole of the evidence appears to point to complicity on the part of one of the employees at the counter of the office in question. His immunity from discovery at that time was doubtless due to his confining the use of the forged stamps to the one office. In all probability he was assisted by a skilled forger or gang of forgers, but it seems likely that had there been more than a couple engaged in the conspiracy they would not have been content with a single outlet for their fraudulent wares.

The Absent Watermark.—The forgery of the 1s green plate 5 as philatelists know, is excellently done. It is a very close fac-simile of the genuine stamp so far as design is concerned, the colour is closely matched, but it was obviously impossible for the forgers to procure the correct paper, which as we have said was watermarked with a spray of rose.

Watermarks Afford Little Protection.—Now the watermark in postage stamps is well known to be little security against the use of forgeries. The watermark device on a stamp is very small, and in machine made paper varies in the intensity with which it is impressed by the dandy roll in the course of manufacture. But the chief reason for its inefficiency in such cases is that until their suspicions are aroused few postal employees, if any, would think of looking for the watermark. The watermark is thus only a last resort to decide finally the status of a specimen, after one has seen some flaws in the printed design or some uncertainty in the colour in which the impression is struck.

How the Forgeries Were Used.—The user of these forgeries must have known that he was fairly secure from suspicion so long as he used them discriminately, for as is well known once a stamp is affixed to a telegraph form, it is immediately cancelled, and after the message has been despatched the telegraph forms are filed away for a period, at the end of which time they are sent away in large quantities for destruction. Quite a large proportion of the stamps used for telegrams are never actually in the possession of the purchaser. The latter hands in a message the words of which are counted up, the necessary stamp and the form are passed back to the sender, the money taken, and the sender immediately affixes the stamp to the form and returns it to the clerk. Thus the sender even if he had expert knowledge of stamps could scarcely suspect the post office of selling him a bad one, and in any case would have no opportunity of examining it closely.

Covering up the Defects with a Postmark.—Then, assuming the clerk selling the stamp to be one of the conspirators he would have to deface the stamp in the ordinary way of business, and should the forgery be somewhat faulty he could make sure of his cancelling stamp coming down upon and defacing the defective part of the design. After that, unless a hue and cry arose from some other cause, the stamp would never again be removed from the paper, with which in course of time it would go to its destruction.

Philatelists Protect the Revenue.—The very close study of postage stamps by philatelists is a great source of safety to the revenue, though perhaps the fact is little appreciated by those in authority. Had the forgeries been used on letters in 1872 instead of on telegrams, it is not unlikely that they would have been promptly brought to the attention of the Post Office by philatelists, as, carefully as the forgers had done their work, they had produced some varieties which the philatelists would at once recognise to be impossible to have been produced from the official plates.

Leakages of Telegraph Stamps.—It is therefore only by a fluke—another almost inexplicable irregularity, that the forged stamps have even now been discovered by philatelists. As I have said, the old telegraph forms with the stamps upon them are sent to be destroyed after having been retained for a long time in case of questions arising concerning them. The destruction is supposed to be complete and an official is deputed to see that it is carried out. Yet numbers of the higher value stamps which have been used on telegraph forms constantly leak out and many stamps which would be rare in collections if they could only be had postally used are comparatively common owing to the leakages of the same stamps used for telegrams.

Discovery Made Too Late to Bring Culprits to Book.—So twenty-six years after the first forgery was perpetrated too late of course to get at the culprit, a philatelist was able to inform the post office that they had been the victims of a fraud, the dimensions of which, while they must have been considerable, could not be ascertained with any definiteness. And now *thirty-eight* years after its perpetration we are beginning to realise the enormous extent of the fraud.

Forged Plate 5, Only a Beginning.—All the forged stamps found in 1898 bore the plate number 5, and all the then known copies were used on one date viz: July 23rd, 1872. In one little lot of stamps which leaked out in the way described over one hundred forgeries bore the postmark of one day, and these probably only represented a fraction of the quantity passed through the Stock Exchange Telegraph Office on that day. Since then, investigations of philatelists have proved that the forgery of plate 5 was in use as early as June 3rd, 1872 antedating the original discovery by forty-four days on which the Telegraph Office would be working. Now it is to be seen from the photographs of the postmarked copies accompanying this article that so successful had the forgers been with plate 5 that when they noticed that plate 6 had come into use at the printers, they made a new forgery of this plate. The earliest dated copy of the plate 6 forgery we have seen, is dated October 3rd, 1872 and the latest carries on the period at which the fraud was still going on undetected to July 13th, 1873.

The Fraud Continued Over Twelve Months.—Thus the fraud was going on in this one office for over a year. And it does not seem improbable, in view of the fact that the printers went to press with plate 7 in November, 1872, that the forgers, who were busy then with their new counterfeit of plate 6, would lay their plans to counterfeit plate 7 in readiness for the time when the stock of genuine stamps of plate 6 had been exhausted at the telegraph office.

Development of the Forger's Skill.—Since they made the forgery of the plate 5, the forger had evidently gained additional skill, for the engraving of the forgery of the later plate is a great improvement on that of plate 5. Some of the defects in the forged plate 5 have been remedied in plate 6. The white lines round the plate number tablet, which were too thin and badly formed in the forged plate 5, are rather too clear and pronounced in the forged plate 6, while the figures 6 are larger and bolder than in the genuine stamp. The outline of the eye forms a heavy-lined triangle in the forgery, and there are only two lines of shading on the eyeball. The undulating lines beneath the eye are continuous in the geunine stamp, but in the forgery they are broken immediately below the angle formed by the outline of the eye. The reticulated network in the oval band round the portrait is slightly different.

Prominent Differences Between the Genuine and the Forged Stamps.—The most notable differences are (together with the large figures 6) in the white letters forming the inscriptions. These letters are not so well formed, the final G, instead of having a bold perpendicular tail, has the tail badly formed, so that until examined closely it ap-

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The Arrangement of the Corner Letters.—The letters in these angles, as is generally known, were introduced with the idea of complicating the task of the forger and of the unscrupulous individual who might try and use clean halves of two used stamps to make one new one. Each stamp on the plate was lettered differently from its neighbour, and the manner of the lettering of the 1s was similar to that used for the 1d line-engraved, only the 1s stamp was printed in twleve panes of 20, instead of having all the 240 stamps in one block. The panes were disposed three in a row.

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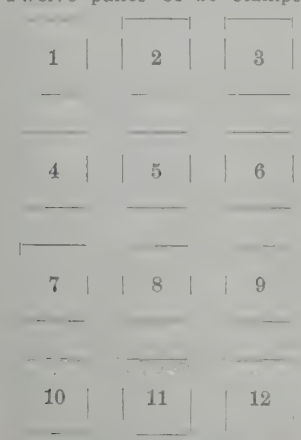

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KING GEORGE AND THE NEW ISSUE.

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The following cable to the Hearst syndicated journals is of special interest to philatelists:

LONDON, July 23.—King George at last has a job after his own heart, that of supervising the production of the new English postage stamp. He was until very recently president of the Royal Philatelic Society and is working on the proposition with characteristic assiduity. He has had several rough designs submitted, but thus far none has met with his approval. He is anxious to break away from the traditional portrait stamp and get something artistic, picturesque and symbolical, as is the case with the French and Tasmanian stamps.

Sycophantic members of the court suggest that his own portrait would be the best design, but the King refuses to listen to them. He is probably one of the greatest experts in philately in the world, possessing a stamp collection valued at over $500,000. In his own words, "Stamp collecting is one of the greatest pleasures of my life."

PANE 1.

AA AA	BA AB	CA AC	DA AD
AB BA	BB BB	CB BC	DB BD
AC CA	BC CB	CC CC	DC CD
AD DA	BD DB	CD DC	DD DD
AE EA	BE EB	CE EC	DE ED

PANE 2.

EA AE	FA AF	GA AG	HA AH
EB BE	FB BF	GB BG	HB BH
EC CE	FC CF	GC CG	HC CH
ED DE	FD DF	GD DG	HD DH
EE EE	FE EF	GE EG	HE EH

PANE 3.

IA AI	JA AJ	KA AK	LA AL
IB BI	JB BJ	KB BK	LB BL
IC CI	JC CJ	KC CK	LC CL
ID DI	JD DJ	KD DK	LD DL
IE EI	JE EJ	KE EK	LE EL

The letter in the left bottom corner indicates the horizontal row in which the stamp occurs, the letter in the bottom right corner indicating the perpendicular row. The letters of the upper angles are simply the lower letters reversed.

Apart from the arrangement in panes, it will be seen that there were twelve stamps in a horizontal line across the sheet, and twenty in a perpendicular direction down the sheet, to make up a sheet of 240 stamps. Thus the lettering in the bottom left angle goes on from A to the *twentieth* letter in the alphabet, *viz.:* T, and the bottom right angle is occupied by the series of letters from A to the *twelfth* letter in the alphabet, *viz.:* L.

An Impossible Corner Lettering.—It will be obvious that the forged stamp of plate 6, lettered ML has a lettering LM which is impossible to the genuine stamp, as it would signify the *thirteenth* stamp in the *twelfth* horizontal row, whereas there were only twelve stamps in any horizontal row.

The foresight of the stamp printers in producing such a trap for the forger evidently was ineffectual in avoiding the forgery. It is scarcely likely that even had the stamps on telegraph forms passed through the hands of numbers of innocent postal officials, they would have paid any attention to the corner lettering.

Two Forgeries Never Used Together.—One matter which seems to make it practically certain that an inside post office man was complicated in the fraud is that the forgeries are mostly heavily cancelled to hide defects. Another point of interest as showing the cunning of the individual is that although the forgeries were doubtless printed in sheets or strips, they are never found in pairs or blocks. Instances are known where the cost of the telegram was 2s, and instead of putting two forgeries of 1s to pay the postage the individual has used one forged 1s and a pair of genuine 6d stamps. Very likely the culprits knew that the lettering of their stamps if seen in pairs and blocks might lead to their detection.

Thousands of Pounds Lost Per Annum?—How long and to what extent was the fraud carried on? These questions may never be settled definitely. We have said that the two extreme dates of postmarks known to collectors are June 3rd, 1872, and June 13th, 1873, over twelve months. It is extremely unlikely that the copies known to collectors represent anything more than a fraction of what were actually used to defraud the revenue, but sufficient copies with intervening dates are now known to satisfy us that the forgers were actively engaged in their nefarious business all those twelve months. The dated copies now known, bear the dates 1872, June 3, 12, 13, 17, 28, July 1, 16, 23, October 31; 1873, June 13. If only 100 copies were passed daily (the number which leaked out in a single parcel purchased by one dealer and bearing one date) that would mean a £5 deficit daily or (excluding Sundays) £1,570 a year. But all the indications raise the suggestion that the amount was considerably in excess of this figure, and it has been estimated at probably £50 a day (that would mean 1,000 stamps) or £15,000 to £16,000 a year.

In any case for one office to suffer such a loss without noticing it or making any enquiry into its cause is somewhat startling.

Is Surface Printing Safe?—As to the facility with which the forgery passed muster, it raises the query as to whether in the official fright at the occasional cleaning of our early postage stamps for illicit re-use has led them to seek safety from cleaning in a process of printing which lends itself easily to the more serious evil of forgery. The old line-engraved stamps were never forged in any way to defraud the revenue, and the few imitations that have been made to defraud stamp collectors are of the poorest possible description and would have been readily detected in the days of the currency of those stamps.

Surface printing, as used today, is used mainly because it is cheap, though the reason generally given by the authorities is that it is possible to produce stamps with inks and upon papers which will not permit of the removal of the cancellations. Had the 1s green forgery been detected in 1872 we might have been using the handsome line-engraving process for printing our stamps to this day.—*Postage Stamp.*

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Stamps and Coins—The editorial in the issue of July 2nd, approving the suggestion made by Mr. Wolsieffer that the conventions of the American Philatelic Society and the American Numismatic Association be held in the same city at approximately the same time seemingly receives recognition at once as we are informed by several members of the national numismatic body that in all likelihood, Chicago will be chosen as the seat of the 1911 convention. As Chicago undoubtedly will be chosen as the place for the 1911 convention of the American Philatelic Society, the plan to arrange for convenient dates will be considered in due course of time.

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Awarded After All—A complication has arisen in the great Penflip award. Last week, we said that the prize would not be conferred as no one had entered the answer named by Mr. Barrett; but on second thought, we find that two contestants may be entitled to consideration. Both Edward Howard, Yuba, California, and H. Wesley Legg, Pepperell, Mass., designated the one shilling Nova Scotia, first issue, on which "12" and "one shilling" both appear. While "pence" is understood in connection with "12" it is not specified, and so the two terms of the same currency may be said to be conflicting. In his letter, Mr. Legg said: "There is little doubt in my immature mind about my being the winner of the 'Penflip Prize' I hope that you will break it to me gently if I be in error; otherwise, I might be inclined to believe the contest a 'bunk' and to express my opinion in the manner of Betsy Prig,—'there is no such a person.'" There are two answers that reasonably enough are within the requirements of the contest; and there is one prize and Mr. Howard gets it, not alone because he sent in his answer first but also because Mr. Legg did not vote for the WEEKLY for official journal of the A. P. S. a year ago. We are sure that we are carrying out the wishes of that unapproachable genius, Parnassus Penflip, in deciding as we have. In the next issue we expect to present Penflip's commendation (as we hope it will be) of the course that we have taken in his behalf. We had intended to have Penflip's few appropriate words in time for this issue but, evidently, he is too busy preparing for his trip to Detroit to answer correspondence with his accustomed promptness.

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First and Last—At a meeting of the Philatelic Society of Victoria, held in May, it was voted to send the following letter to the Postmaster-General of the Australian Commonwealth: "The Philatelic Society of Victoria communicates respectfully to the Postmaster-General its concern that of all the wide dominions of Great Britain in all parts of the world, the postal stamps of the Australian States alone retain the effigy of Queen Victoria, and (with the exception of two rarely used Victorian stamps), have not shown the portrait of the late King, Edward VII, thus ignoring the changes brought about by the lapse of time. The society hopes that early consideration may be given to this matter." Some philatelists have not paused to consider that Victoria is the last colony to use the Victoria portrait stamps. We should say that there is a sentimental fitness in Victoria's retention of the stamps with Queen Victoria's likeness; and that the reluctance of the postal authorities of Victoria to part with the effigy of the queen-namesake was a tribute to their loyalty. Though Victoria is the last colony to use the Queen stamps, it was the first to issue a specimen with King Edward's portrait, even though it is a "rarely used" stamp.

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The Congress Plan—In Australia, the advisibility of inaugurating an "Australasian Philatelic Congress" is being discussed; and we take it that the idea is being favorably received. It is almost safe to predict that Australasia will follow the example of Great Britain and adopt the plan of an annual convocation. In due course of time all the philatelically civilized countries will have a "congress" at stated intervals of time, in the manner of the German "Tag" that has flourished for years and the recently instituted "Congress" of Great Britain. In America, the annual conventions of the American Philatelic Society for twenty-five years has been the counterpart of these occasions and while the conventions presumably, and properly so, are devoted to the consideration of the business of the organization, yet any question of importance as affecting philately could be presented for action at this gathering. While ostensibly the annual convention of the American Philatelic Society is the forum for popular and preferred philately in America, yet in reality small advantage is taken of the splendid opportunity to appear before America's supreme philatelic tribunal. The tendency is to appreciate more fully each year, the opportunities offered at the convention and a broader usefulness attaches to it each year. A few visionaries who work with words may try to stampede the convention by seeking to have it pledge itself to the performances of impracticable service; but while they may be credited with sincerity, they are not with sound sense; and their measure is soon taken.

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Italy's Good Move—Through the medium of *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* it is learned that the first Italian "philatelic congress" was held successfully at Naples about two months ago. On the agenda for discussion and action was the following proposal and collectors in America as well as other countries realize full well the necessity for the regulation. For years, Italy has been under the reproach of not having national laws against the utterance of forged stamps but it is now likely that the delinquency will be removed. In our postal laws and regulations, we find as Section 1587, under "Offenses Against the Postal Service:" "Any person who shall forge or counterfeit or knowingly utter or use any forged or counterfeit postage stamp of any foreign Government, shall be punished by imprisonment at hard labor of not less than two nor more than ten years."

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Philatelic Ethics—Among other topics that were to engage the attention of the Naples congress were two that were based on somewhat original lines: "To determine the commercial value of unused stamps with gum" and "Formation of a committee or upright men to solve disputes between collectors and dealers." The gum question has been discussed in many of its phases but it has never been analyzed before by a national legislative body, so to say. The board of arbitration of "upright men" is an inspiration. For years, we have been in a position to know that many a dispute arises between collector and dealer, each of whom steadfastly adheres to convictions that he believes are right. Any method of abjudication of these cases while still in their incipiency and before they reach the acrid stage would be a benefit to philately; and the tribunal as proposed by the Italian philatelists seems to offer a happy solution of unpleasant problems.

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Confirming what we wrote last week we want to give a hearty endorsement to the candidacy of Chas. R. Morris for secretary of the A. P. S. Mr. Morris is an ideal candidate, enthusiastic, capable and ideally located at the nation's capital. For the society to be able to command Mr. Morris' services is indeed fortunate and we look forward to his election by a large majority. The writer is pleased to address this word to those friends who in the past have placed reliance upon his judgment. If you do not care to fill out your ballot we shall be pleased to receive it and see that it is counted for Mr. Morris.

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OUR ENGLISH LETTER.

By WM. WARD.

The Scarcity of the 1869, 24c.—The beautiful 24c value of 1869 is probably among the most popular stamps ever issued—especially so to English speaking races. For my life I can never make out why the 90c of the same issue is always more expensive than the 24c. Fine copies of the former are easier to secure than fair copies of the latter. Of course the high face value keeps the quotations up of the 90c. This occurs in many instances. A 4p Southern Nigeria is only worth the market price of 16c, but a 2sh 6p value commands 60c. Yet the higher value is always present in the ratio of 12 to 1 of the former. The 1869 set is one of the most incorrectly priced issues I know of. There can be no possible doubt that the following is the order of their respective rarity:—24c, 90c, 30c, 15c (type I), 15c type II, 10c, 1c, 12c, 6c, 2c, 3c. If the 90c is worth $8 or $10 the 24c is worth $15.

New Issues Preparing.—1910 seems to be trying to surpass its predecessors on the point of issuing most stamps. Sweden, Argentine, Brazil, Belgium, &c., have all provided a change for their postal clerks. Chile is breaking her good philatelic name and erupting a commemorative issue, and Austria and Bosnia, and probably Hungary are making the aged Emperor an excuse for a new set each.

The Bosnias are to be issued this month, and will be of the same design as the current issue, with the exception that at the foot of each will be the year dates 1830-1910—the former, the year of the birth of Joseph. The Austrian issue will probably be likewise. Our own issue of stamps of course will not be expected before 1911, and in it will be fewer bicolored stamps than in the last two sets. If the British authorities copied the current U. S. we might have a possessing series to place in our collections.

The New 7d.—The 7d British will never become a common stamp, especially used in good condition. All are being used on parcels where they receive a "blacking-out" obliteration, and on telegraph forms from which they will never again see the light of the world, since all telegraph forms are burnt. Further there is a difficulty to procure this stamp, as so many post offices do not seem to be supplied. It is rumored, and generally accepted that no more printings are being made, and that when the present supply is exhausted the 7d value will be extinct until the stamps of George V come to hand.

Stamp Designs.—Quite a number of the new issues of foreign countries seem to be giving the chroniclers a bad time of it. The 4c Centenary stamp of the Argentine is one that has provoked many errors of description. Evidently there are several meanings in English for the Spanish of "Ambassadors." The *Stamp Collectors Fortnightly* describes the portraits of Washington, O'Higgins, Hidalgo, San Martin and Bolivar as *"Brazilian Notables."* We know that the former was a "Notable," but the fact that his features are on the Pan-American Congress stamp of Brazil hardly alters history. A famous American philatelist has given the bird on the new Azores stamps as a hawk. The bird depicted is not a "territorial" but a marine bird. Illustrations of the smallness of a postage stamp are hardly to be relied upon, but I don't mind having a quarter on it being a petrel.

The Popularity of Canada.—Canadian stamps are going to run the Federal issues very closely for popularity. Good Canadian stuff is getting harder and harder to secure, for the simple reason that so much of it has been going West, to be buried in collections from which it is not likely to escape. A good specialised collection of Canada will prove a valuable asset, and show a good margin in the near future.

Back-Numbers.—Some stamp issuing countries are by no means hustlers—in fact the Australian Colonies and Jamaica should be able to out do old Rip Van Winkle. None have yet brought out stamps in regular use, bearing the head of King Edward, so one hardly likes to essay when those of George V may be expected. True there have been the pound values and the several revenue Australian stamps, but when they have to use a portrait made *63* years ago—well it must be terribly slow down under.

Ceylon has just brought out a new issue of King Edward stamps. Won't there be some hurry to get hold of these—and won't there be some fingers scorched?

History on Stamps.—A pretty little story has gone the round of the foreign philatelic circles, that just before the death of King Edward it was intended to have a special British issue, bearing the features of all the Kings and Queens of Great Britain! My readers need not give this little story any attention for it is mere canard. We have had quite our fill of Kings, Queens and Dukes in this country since 1066 to last us 1066 centuries and such an issue would have only provoked a row. There are no officials that would sanction such an issue anyway, and it is certain that so long as we have a King or Queen, only his or her head will be used on the stamps of the day.

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We wish to thank Editor Mann for his fairness.

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Edited by Henry A. Kidder.

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United States.—W. G. Pingree sends us a copy of the officially sealed, Scott's No. 755, with a line of perforations running lengthwise and dividing the stamp into two nearly equal parts. Is this some more of the "printer's waste?"

Scott's Circular says: Our remark on the discovery of the 6c on the U. S. I. R. paper, that the stamp appeared to be an earlier printing than the 1898 issue, is confirmed by a letter from a collector whose copy of the earlier discovered 8c "is interesting on account of its having a dated post mark. Although the town and state are illegible, the month, March, and year '97 are quite plain and show clearly that the error was made before the Spanish War revenues were issued, which was late in the spring of 1898. From personal inquiry of the Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing at Washington, I have learned that the only white U. S. I. R. paper of the 200-sheet size (the 8c plates of this issue had 200 stamps; see Mr. Luff's History of U. S. Stamps), used during the years 1896 and 1897, was that on which the blue 2c Playing Cards Revenue stamps were printed. Scott's Catalogue gives the date of issue of the watermarked Playing Cards stamp as 1898. This is wrong. I have copies dated 1896 and 1897, precancelled. Mr. Ralph advised that there was no record of the use of this I. R. paper for postage stamps and that the mix-up might have occurred in several ways. It might be well to look through the Playing Card stamps for the U. S. P. S. watermark."

The conclusions expressed in the gentleman's letter appear to us correct, and the catalogue will be amended accordingly. How often one little thing in philately leads to matters of extreme interest!

Scott's Circular reports having seen a pair of the 3c rose of 1861, imperforate horizontally.

Chile.—Upon the same line as the note from the *Postage Stamp* in No. 1020, we copy the following from *Scott's Circular:*

From several sources comes information which throws a decidedly unfavorable light upon postal affairs in this hitherto respectable South American country. First with regard to the "Official" stamps surcharged with anchor in 1907 and which, although considered highly speculative if indeed they were placed in legitimate use at all, have been sold for very fancy prices. It appears that the official who instigated the preparation of these stamps was an enthusiastic stamp collector and that shortly after the order for the preparation of these stamps their use was prohibited and they were ordered to be burnt. The destruction however *never took place* and as sets appear to be obtainable by any one willing to pay the price it would be interesting to know just how large is the "invisible supply" and what are the prospects of a drop in quotations. This little "killing" has encouraged the Chileans to braver and broader plans. It is now announced that the 20c stamp of 1862 is to be first reprinted and then surcharged 1, 2, 5, 10 and 20 PESOS! The dates 1810-1910 in celebration of the Centenary of Chilean Independence are to be added, the issue of the stamps is to be limited, care will be taken that very few get into the hands of the public and the officials expect to sell to collectors at a fancy profit. We are glad to help advertise this precious scheme, but the above described are only a portion of the new stamps which the Chilean officials plan to give us this year. There are also announced a new general set of 14 values from 1c to 10 pesos and an especially designed commemorative set of 13 denominations from 1c to 10 pesos.

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Finland.—The stamps recently current are no longer permitted to be used on matter for the International mails or for other portions of the Russian Empire. They are, however, still used for interior postage, and are thus placed substantially in the category of local stamps.

Mexico.—We are indebted to the C. E. Hussman Co. for used specimens of the current 3c, 10c and 20c stamps, with the new official surcharge.

Norway.—*Maury's Collectionneur* reports that the 1kr 50ore has now appeared in the re-engraved type, the 1kr and 2kr having been previously noted.

Nyassa.—*Maury's Collectionneur* says that the new series of stamps will appear this month. The highest value in the last series was 300r, but the new series will have two more values, the highest being 700r.

Paraguay.—A correspondent informs *Scott's Circular* that the 5, 10 and 20 peso stamps, Scott's Nos. 141 to 145, which have been obtainable only at rather high prices, and over which there has been considerable controversy ever since their appearance two years ago, have now been placed on sale to the regular public.

Siam.—We find that we accidentally omitted to give credit to A. W. Dunning for specimens of the new stamps and information regarding the same.

Turkey.—As suggested in No. 1021, the new 2 paras provisional was surcharged upon the current 5 paras stamp, for newspaper purposes, both the new value and the newspaper surcharge being in blue.

Venezuela.—Hermann Focke sends us specimens of a commemorative stamp issued by Venezuela June 15, in honor of the Centenary of her independence from Spain. The stamp is a horizontal oblong, nearly square, and printed in a single color. The design is a strikingly handsome one, the central figure being a standing figure of Liberty, with hands outstretched, and sitting figures of Peace and Labor at her feet. The foreground is filled with branches of corn and oak, and the background shows a view of Caraccas. In the upper corners are circular medallions with portraits of "Simon Bolivar, Libertado" and "Francisca de Miranda." The lower corners have the value in colorless figures in small circles, with "centimos" above each circle. There are fluted pillars at each side, that at the right having the dates, "1810" and "1910" on a broad ribbon, and a similar arrangement on the left shows the dates, "1811" and "1911." "Correos de Venezuela" is printed in a curved line above the picture, and the other inscriptions are "Centenario de la Independencia," separated into two parts by the Arms of the country at the bottom of the stamp; and at the top, "Union, Union, o la Anarquia os devorara," meaning, "Unite, Unite, or Anarchy will devour you." The stamps bear the imprint of the "American Bank Note Co., N. Y." They are printed on white unwatermarked paper and perforated 12.

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—Clippings acknowledged with thanks from J. H. Houston (2), Jos. A. Steinmetz (3), M. A. Lesser, Harry Fox, V. P. Hoffman (2), Fred Akerhielm, Hugo Kuenstler (5), Russell L. Stultz (5) and Thos. S. Futcher.

—Our thanks are extended John Arnodt for a missing number of the Weekly required for office files.

—Chas. J. Engle, N. Y. City, applied to H. Wesley Legg for stamps on approval giving John H. Rivers, N. Y. Produce Exchange, N. Y. City, as reference. A letter addressed to Mr. Rivers was returned "Not to be found." We give this information *pro bono publico.*

—The M. P. A. convention will be held at Binghamton, N. Y., August 9-11. Among the attractions will be an auction sale conducted by August Mack of Scranton.

—We have received from Hugo Kuenstler a batch of five clippings. Two of these have been reprinted in the Weekly and the others do not possess sufficient philatelic interest to use.

—We are indebted to H. W. Boers, Detroit, Mich., for a back number of the Weekly desired to complete a file.

—From Russell L. Stultz, New Market, Va., we have received no less than four clippings. While we are unable to use them we nevertheless appreciate the kindly spirit that prompted sending them. Mr. Stultz also submits a piece of cover showing half of a two-cent stamp that paid the postage rate.

—At a recent meeting of the Boonton Collectors' Association, it was decided to hold a stamp exhibition at Boonton, N. J., on Sept. 2. A committee consisting of John W. Hawkins, William C. Webb and Earl B. De Hart, was appointed to manage the affair. The committee asks every philatelic society, publisher, collector and dealer in the United States to co-operate with them in making this the biggest affair of its kind ever held in this country. Those interested are requested to write John W. Hawkins, Box 145, Boonton, N. J.

—Dr. S. A. Carler, N. Y. City, sends us a clipping from a Siam paper giving particulars of the new issue of stamps. Among other things it states that the old surcharged att stamps will be used until the issue is exhausted, contemporaneously with the new issue.

STEAMSHIP COMPANIES' STAMPS.

By Fred W. Edwards, F.R.P.S.L., F.C.S.

Fashion is as fickle in stamps as in skirts and sleeves, and just at present "Local" stamps do not enjoy a large measure of popularity amongst British philatelists. Nevertheless the writer is convinced that despite the many spurious and speculative stamps amongst local issues, there is a considerable number of interesting and instructive stamps of high status and real value which are well worthy of study and collection.

The group of stamps I purpose reviewing in this contribution, regarded as whole, enjoy a fairly high status, and are exceedingly interesting and instructive, and of course vary in value and merit.

The contrast between the issue for "St. Thomas and Porto Rico" and the rare and valuable Trinidad "Lady McLeod" stamp is perhaps the most striking, for whereas the former stamps were simply and solely speculative, the latter, catalogued at about £15, is the sort of "locals" everybody would like!

As this contribution is intended merely to serve as a general elementary introduction to the "Steamship" stamps, I shall not attempt to review the stamps individually, will divide them into groups under their respective countries and take the countries in alphabetical order, adopting the usual geographical order of the continents:—

Europe.

Foremost amongst the European "Steamship" stamps are those of the Danube Steam Packet Co., issued 1866-1874, and used in Bulgaria, Roumania, Servia and Turkey to prepay mail matter collected along the river Danube. The numeral of value ("10" or "17" soldi) is the most prominent feature of the design of these horizontal oblong labels, the inscription being between two concentric ovals.

The company lost its privileges in Roumania and Servia when these countries began to issue their own stamps.

During the Austro-Russian War, the company was allowed to do mail service along the whole line, from Jassy to Vienna, but in case the letter was to go to any place in Austria not on the Danube, a "5kr." Austrian stamp was to be added.

In 1874, the stamps became of a private character, prepaying packages carried by steamers of the company, and in 1877 the stamps were reprinted, in spite of the fact that there was a substantial surplus of the originals still on hand!

The so-called "stamp" of the Helmi Steamship Co., of Denmark, is now regarded as a sort of passenger ticket, as is also the "Runsala" stamp.

The first and most lasting impression of anyone beholding the huge "10 ore" Holbach Steamship Co.'s stamp issued in 1880, is a feeling of astonishment, similar to that which Gulliver felt when he landed in the forest of Brobdignag! For this label, like the "Djibouti postage plasters," is of such dimensions and superficial area that one would really wonder how much of the envelope would be available for the address after affixing the stamp! However, the "Holback" label is probably of the same kidney as the 5 ore black, and 10 ore violet stamps issued by the Odense Steamship Co. in 1882 to prepay postage on parcels carried on the river Odense in Denmark.

The first of the Finnish Steamship Companies' labels to be noticed is the "40 penni" green of the Abo Steamship Co., and this is said to have been a passenger's label; but there is no doubt whatever of the postal purpose served by the 16 varieties of stamps issued in 1874-1875, by the "Helsingfors (Bobaco) Postal Steamship Co."; or the three oval-shaped stamps issued by the Tavastehaus and Helsingfors Steam Packet Co. in 1867, or, again, those of the Tavastehaus and Tammerfors Steamship Co.

The Thyra Steamship Co., issued in 1882 two stamps, "10 penni" red and "25 penni" ultramarine, for their service between Helsingfors, Pikkala, etc.

The Tryvifjord Steamship Co., of Norway, probably derived its philatelic inspiration from Holbach in Denmark, when the former issued, on or about 1888, its "5 öre" red stamp, for even the numeral of value on it seems about as large as the average figures on shop-window tickets!

Of the many mysteries of Moens' catalogue, there is none greater than the issues of the "Admiralty" (?) Steamship Co., but Turkey has contributed much trash to the album of the collector. We must, however, not speak too disparagingly of the issues of "T. B. Morton & Co.'s Letter Post" of the Constantinople and Danube Line of Steamers (1869-1872), although, as is usual with private posts, there was the inevitable surplus of originals and plenty of reprints.

Asia.

The Asia Minor Steamship Co., issued in 1868 two stamps, 1 piastre and 2 piastres, both black and green, and printed on surface coloured glazed paper and imperf., and these stamps are even better known than the 1 gulden dark blue stamp issued about eight years before by the Dutch Indies Steamship Co. The so-called "Smyrna Steamship Co." is the Asia Minor Steamship Co.

Africa.

The dainty set of four stamps issued in 1870 by the Suez Canal Co. is about the best known set of locals ever issued.

America.

Crossing the "herring pond" to America, the stamps of the Central American Steamship Co., 1886, merit our notice not only on account of their dainty design, but also in having their values expressed in both the English and French languages.

The "Repub. Colombia River Postal Service" envelope issued in 1900, scarcely comes within the scope of this contribution; but the 10c black, blue and yellow stamp, issued in 1876 by the Hamburg American Packet Co., is well worth anybody's notice, as its catalogue price is £1 unused and 12/6 used.

The famous "La Guaira" locals are also splendid stamps, but those who can't afford the catalogue prices of originals can have plenty of reprints! There was a series of stamps (and reprints!) for Porto Cabello and La Guaira issued in 1864, another set for St. Thomas and others for Curacao. Yet another stamp was issued solely to supply the usual long felt want of philatelists, and this stamp was christened "St. Thomas, Porto Rico," not so much to indicate the place where it was used as to indicate whereabouts in a collector's album the stamp might be properly placed!

The pretty stamps of the St. Lucia Steam Conveyance Co., Ltd., (1873) bore the picture of a steamship in oval, and were issued in three values, 1d, 2d. and 6d.

In our introductory paragraph we made mention of the famous "Lady McLeod," 2½d stamp of Trinidad, this stamp being issued in 1847 by the owner of the steamship "Lady McLeod," for the prepayment of letters carried by his vessel between Port of Spain and San Fernando.

Unfortunately for the writer, the editor does not permit his contributors to advertise their "wants" except on the advert. pages at the usual rates, or else, concerning such "locals" as this treasure Trinidad, I should here like to have invited all philatelists who love not locals and "go by Gibbons" to kindly give me all such locals as this; for they are "in my line," and indeed in everybody else's, as are also many other stamps which are really "locals," but not generally regarded as such, for some collectors would shudder at the very idea of giving such a naughty name to such splendid stamps. The "McRobish & Co.'s" Steamship stamp of Mexico is speculative.

Australasia.

From "down under" there came in 1897 two pretty bi-coloured oblong stamps issued by the Australasian, New Hebrides, Co., Ltd., and these stamps were of a purely local nature and prepaid postage only within the New Hebrides Islands, or upon the company's steamers to Sydney. An analogy exists between the stamps of this company and those of the Danube Steam Packet Co., for just as the latter stamps had to be accompanied by an Austrian stamp to frank postage beyond the river Danube in Austria, so the New Hebrides stamps had to be accompanied by a 2½d New South Wales stamp to convey letters to the mainland.

Shortly after the issue of these stamps, the company went into liquidation, and in 1908 another chapter in the philatelic history of these islands was begun: but the establishment of a private post as a pioneer, as in this case, has happened in many other cases, and is very often something to the credit of private letter-carrying enterprise.

Speaking of Australians, one is reminded of Hawaiian envelopes issued by the famous firm of Wells, Fargo & Co., but these are really outside the scope of our present paper.

In conclusion, I might make a sort of provisional promise that if I have succeeded in arousing some interest in these interesting groups of steamship companies' stamps by this very elementary introduction, I may be tempted to treat of some of the groups in detail in future contributions.—*Stamp Collectors Fortnightly.*

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New York, July 22, 1910.

To the Editor:

The article in No. 1020 of your paper, re: Salvador 1ctvo green of 1907 surcharged:

1821
15 septiembre
1909

is very interesting, and true, and the same applies to the provisional two issues of postage due stamps, and the 2 provisories of 1909 2 centavos on 13ctvs and 3 centavos on 26ctvs of 1907, all of which have been counterfeited in large quantities, and only this explains why they can be offered so cheap, as the original issues were very small.

The great trouble, however, is that the counterfeits have been made right at the spot, or at San Salvador, and if not by, most probably to the knowledge of certain employees of the Post Office, and for all of the counterfeits the original stamps, or at least the very same types of letters have been used. This shows that in all probability few, if any dealers outside of that country can be blamed for the circulation of these frauds, as they will most likely have purchased the stamps from Salvador dealers in good faith, which is proved by the fact that these dealers in spite of all that has been written and said, insist on their stamps being the genuine ones.

Although I am specializing Salvador stamps, I advocate the eliminating of these 'one-day-flies' from a regular collection, as few of them are created for actual postal needs, their principal object being to please (?) collectors and—the brother of President Figueroa, who himself is a collector, as it is said that most of the "errors" were made for his benefit. You state for instance that of the 15 Sept. provisory there is only the variety on watermarked paper, which is not true, as this variety was printed "by mistake," the regular stamp being on the wove paper, without watermark, but besides these two varieties also the official 1ctvo stamp exists with the same surcharge, only one sheet having been "erroneously" surcharged, and I have a copy canceled at San Salvador on the proper day, say 15. Sept. 1909.

Hermann Focke.

London, July 1, 1910.

My Dear Mr. Kjellstedt:

I have to thank you for your active support of the work of the Junior Philatelic Society, and wish to personally express my pleasure at the interest you have displayed in the society both before and since your appointment as Consul General for the society in the United States.

To aid the Propaganda Committee, the council has now closed the membership roll for the season 1909-10 and has immediately opened the register for the season 1910-11. Consequently all subscriptions taken now will hold good until October 1st, 1911. New members paying their subscriptions now (instead of waiting till next October) will enjoy the privileges of membership from the date of joining until October 1st of *next* year; joining from this date therefore they have the privileges of fifteen months instead of twelve for their first annual subscription.

The council viewing with the highest satisfaction the cordial co-operation accorded by the stamp collectors of America in the work of the Junior Philatelic Society, has produced a handsomely printed souvenir book, copiously illustrated on "The Fiscal Stamps of the United States," by L. W. Crouch. The book is not for sale in the regular way but is being presented to every United States member of the Junior Philatelic Society, until the edition (which is limited) becomes exhausted.

This presentation book, together with the extension of the period of membership privilege for the coming season only, and the other benefits, chief amongst which is the monthly magazine *The Stamp Lover*, make the membership in the Junior Philatelic Society a proposition not to be lightly overlooked, and as you know my colleagues and I have always kept matters of American interest prominently to the front in our publications and other society activities, such as the Golden West Exhibition.

I sincerely trust these matters will tend to further your kind efforts on behalf of the society, for that is the object of the council in making the arrangements outlined above.

Fred. J. Melville.

(We are very pleased to give insertion to the communication sent Mr. Kjellstedt by Mr. Melville. The growth of the Junior Philatelic Society has been very gratifying, a large number of U. S. philatelists being already enrolled as members. Anyone desiring information in regard to this Society may address Mr. Kjellstedt at Scranton, Pa.—Ed.)

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July 21, 1910.

The meeting was called to order at 9 P. M., with a large attendance. This being exchange meeting, the entire evening was devoted to the exhibition of the specialized collection of Luxemburg so kindly shown by Prof. Becker. Remember, we have a meeting on August 4th, at which a matter of vital importance will be discussed.

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The 55th regular meeting was held July 13, at the home of the President. Nine members and five visitors were present. The Committee on Entertainment made a final report of expense for June meeting. The Committee on Exchange of stamps reported progress. The Governing Board reported approval of application for membership of Messrs. Loeffler, Caudell, Hammelman and Metz for membership and they were unanimously elected. Mr. C. H. Mekeel, St. Louis, Mo., presented the society with Vol. No. 20, *P. J. of A.* bound, and the secretary was directed to tender thanks for same. Mr. Ivers Johnson, member of Educational Committee A. P. S. was present, and at the meeting of the District Branch gave an interesting talk outlining the work that has been done by the committee and exhibiting samples of the literature and folder published. The evening was spent very enjoyably in conversation and examining the collection of the host. Mr. Adams showed some interesting original covers. Refreshments were served during the evening.

The next meeting, August 10, will be held at the home of Prof. Milton Whitney, Takoma Park.

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Reverting to the change in the manufacture of the British stamps, it is interesting to note that the new printers have so far neither machinery or staff to undertake the work of their contract, but which they will have to secure between now and the end of the year. Thus it looks likely that unless they can do a big hustle there are not likely to be any of the George V stamps out by January 1st—though a representative of the new printers informs us that the plates to be received from Somerset House (the Government Revenue Headquarters) will be the new ones.

I also hear that the design of the new stamps will be akin to the recently issued 7 pence—that is of the Nyasaland type, and that as before the name of the Kingdom will not be given. Further a new value in the shillings is to make its appearance, but whether two or three shillings my informant cannot say, and following the example of the United States, the £1 value is likely to be missing.

Russia and Great Britain are the only European countries possessing so high a value equivalent to $5.00. Spain and Austria being the next in running with stamps having a face value equal to $2.00.

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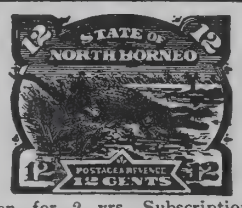

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THE RECORD OF THE YEAR 1909-10 AS REPORTED BY THE HON. SEC. J. A. TILLEARD.

(We reprint this report from the *London Philatelist* as being of general interest the world over and especially to American collectors, a goodly number of whom are members of the Royal Society. Mr. Tilleard, it will be remembered, not only serves as secretary of the society but cares for the stamp treasures of His Majesty King George.—Ed.)

The close of the season 1909-10 has been overshadowed by the great national loss sustained in the death of our beloved Sovereign, King Edward the Seventh, a loss that is deplored by the members of this Society as sincerely as by any subjects of the realm.

This is not the place or the occasion to dwell upon the merits of our late Sovereign, who has died in the service of his people. It suffices to say that in modern times no personage has ever attracted to himself so large a share of the admiration and affection of mankind; and the wonderful manifestation of sorrow that we have seen displayed throughout the Empire tells, with more eloquence than any words can do, of the firm hold he had secured upon the hearts of his subjects.

But although he has passed away the King survives in his successor, and we can best respect his memory by giving our loyal aid and service to his son, King George.

Each of us in our own sphere can, in some small way, help our new King in the work he has taken upon himself, if only by according that confidence and support which will be gratefully and loyally given on all occasions by the members of this Society, over whose Councils King George the Fifth has so long presided.

On the accession of the King, the Council, in the name of the Society, through the Vice President, presented to his Majesty an address in the following terms:

"To the King's Most Excellent Majesty.

"We, the Vice President, Honorary Vice President, and Council of the Royal Philatelic Society, London, for ourselves and for the Fellows, Members and Associates of the Society, over whose Councils Your Majesty has so long been graciously pleased to preside, respectfully beg to express our profound grief at the loss Your Majesty has sustained by the death of our beloved Sovereign the late King, and we tender to Your Majesty our dutiful and heartfelt sympathy.

"We desire at the same time humbly to assure Your Majesty of our loyalty and devotion to the Throne and to the Person of Your Majesty, and of our earnest hope that Your Majesty's reign may be long and prosperous."

To this address a gracious reply was received from His Majesty, through his Private Secretary, as contained in the following letter:

"Marlborough House,
"Pall Mall, S. W.,
"25th May, 1910.

"Dear Lord Crawford,

"I have received and laid before the King the address which you have forwarded to me from the Council of the Royal Philatelic Society, expressing on behalf of themselves and the Fellows, Members and Associates of the Society their profound grief at the loss which His Majesty has sustained by the death of his beloved father, and also loyalty and devotion to the Throne and person of His Majesty, with earnest hopes for the prosperity of his reign.

"I am commanded by the King to assure you, and all those who have associated themselves with you in this address, of his Majesty's deep appreciation of these most kind and sympathetic sentiments, proceeding as they do from a body over which His Majesty has had the pleasure of presiding for so many years.

"Yours very truly,
"Arthur Bigge.
"The Earl of Crawford, K. T."

In the course of the year since June, 1909, twenty-four new members have been elected Fellows of the Society, and one Associate has been added to the list. The names are as follows:

Messrs. C. M. Ams and W. M. H. Artman, Capt. A. S. Bates, Messrs. A. Bishop, Wm. Canning, H. Chaplin and S. Chapman, Col. F. H. Hancock, Messrs. J. S. Hardy and W. A. Harmer, Capt. C. G. S. Harvey, Mr. H. M. Hepworth, Mrs. Walter Jones, Messrs. L. J. Kershaw and J. K. N. Koning, Baron E. G. E. Leijonhufvud, Messrs. H. P. Manus, W. McHutchin, C. W. Matthes, and E. J. Mertzanoff, the Rev. J. Mursell and Messrs. L. A. B. Paine, H. W. Warner and E. A. Wiedemann as Fellows, with Mr. W. G. Campbell as an Associate.

During the same period we have lost by death two of our members, viz.: Messrs. G. F. H. Gibson and H. G. Palliser, while from the same cause the name of Mr. A. A. Good, whose death at an earlier date had not been reported prior to the last annual general meeting, has had to be removed from the roll of membership.

Mr. Good, who was formerly in the Consular service in Germany, had been a member for upwards of eighteen years.

Mr. Palliser, who joined the Society in 1898, was, for some years prior to his removal to the West of England, a regular attendent at the meetings, and was personally known to many of the members.

Mr. Gibson was well known as a prominent philatelist, who acted for eleven years as honorary secretary of the Manchester Philatelic Society, and he was for a long time closely connected with the management of the *Philatelic Record.*

The resignations during the year under review have been twelve in number, viz.:

Messrs. T. Catterall, Jr., J. H. Clapp, L. H. Kjellstedt, F. Knuckey, A. Laceby, J. G. Langton, and J. A. Leon, Lieut-Col. P. J. Melvill, and the Rev. P. E. Raynor.

Mr. Kjellstedt was the American representative of the Society. His services in this capacity have been much appreciated, and he has been good enough to offer, in every way in his power, still to forward the interests of the Society in the United States of America.

Mr. J. G. Langton has been one of our auditors, and, notwithstanding his resignation of membership, he has very kindly consented, if so desired, to continue to act as honorary auditor, and to give to the Society the benefit of his valuable professional aid in auditing and reporting on our accounts.

In addition to the losses through death and resignation the names of three members have been removed under the regulations, and the register now comprises 280 Fellows and five Associates, an appreciable increase on the figures for the corresponding period of last year.

The Vice President having renewed the invitation so kindly given in previous years, the first meeting of the season was held at his residence on October 21, 1909, and the usual fortnightly meetings have since been held in this room. There have been sixteen meetings in all, including that of this evening, and at fifteen of these, papers have been read, or displays of stamps have been given, with written notes or verbal explanations of the points of interest on the subject dealt with in the display.

The Society has been indebted to the following members for undertaking the special business of the several meetings:

The President—a display of the stamps of British Guiana between 1860 and 1882. The Vice President—a display of the stamps of St. Helena, St. Vincent, and other British Colonies, and essays and proofs of a special interest in connection with the history of the stamps of the United Kingdom. The Honorary Vice President—a paper on the "Advisability of Forming a Universal Union of Philatelic Societies, to Discourage Unnecessary and Speculative Issues," and a display of stamps illustrating the points dealt with in the paper. Mr. W. Dorning Beckton—a display of the stamps of Greece. Mr. Harvey G. Clarke—a display of the stamps of the Transvaal. Mr. F. W. Edwards—a paper (with display) on "Local Stamps." Major E. B. Evans—a paper on and a display of Mulready envelopes and covers. Mr. T. W. Hall—a paper on the "Early Stamps of Venezuela," with a display of his collection of the issues of this country. Mr. H. M. Hansen—a paper on and display of the stamps of Schleswig-Holstein. Mr. L. L. R. Hausburg—a paper on the "Perforations of Queensland Stamps," with a display of his unused collection of that state. The Rev. Dr. James—a display of the stamps of the British Colonies in America, including those of the West Indies and other islands; and Mr. R. B. Yardley—a display of a reference collection of the stamps of New South Wales.

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meetings devoted to general displays. At the first of these, when members attending the meetings were invited to bring "twelve interesting stamps" for inspection, a valuable and instructive display was given which was highly appreciated by those present.

The second meeting, at which the illustrations of the completed plates of the New South Wales portion of the new "Oceania" work were shown, was remarkable for the production by members present of nearly 2500 fine specimens of Sydney Views, brought for comparison with the plates, while at the remaining meeting an interesting display of entires was given by various members, the success of the meeting being contributed to by Mr. B. W. Warhurst very kindly lending for the occasion some volumes of his well-known collection.

The average number of members attending the sixteen meetings of the season has been nineteen, a slightly smaller average than that for the previous year.

In regard to the election of officers and Council for the ensuing season, I have to report that, by reason of his accession to the throne, the King is unable to retain the office of President. I am, however, authorized to announce that his Majesty, on his own initiative, has graciously signified that it is his will and pleasure to be the Patron of the Society.

I am further commanded to say that His Majesty has nominated the Earl of Crawford to succeed to the office of President, a choice which I feel sure would have received the unanimous vote of the Fellows, Members, and Associates had they been asked to fill the vacant office.

The letter from the Private Secretary, in which the intimation of His Majesty's wishes was conveyed to me, is dated May 14th and is worded as follows:

"With regard to the Royal Philatelic Society, His Majesty must now cease to act as President, but he will be its Patron, and desires that Lord Crawford should become President."

No notices of resignation having been received by the date prescribed by the Articles of Association of the Society, all the other officers and members of Council are deemed to have offered themselves for re-election, and one Fellow only—Mr. F. J. Peplow—having been nominated for ordinary membership of the Council, the vacancy caused by the changes before referred to will be automatically filled by the election of that gentleman to the Council.

It will remain for the meeting, when the subject is formally brought forward later on, to elect a Vice President in succession to Lord Crawford, who will now become our President.

The accounts, which have been placed before the meeting, show that the finances of the Society are in a thoroughly satisfactory condition. Although, by reason of the change, referred to in my last report, in the date to which the accounts are made up, in order that the end of our financial year may correspond with the expiration of the year covered by our subscriptions, the balance at our disposal does not apparently represent so large a sum as we have been accustomed to see, it is a distinct improvement that the true position on a given date should be accurately ascertained.

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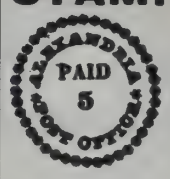

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It must, of course, be borne in mind, as pointed out by our Auditors, that no fair comparison of the bare figures can be made between the accounts as presented last year and those we have seen today. The former were for a whole year, and included moneys just received for subscriptions which were applicable to the requirements of a period of nine months later than the date to which the accounts were made up. On the other hand, the accounts now under consideration are for a period of nine months only, and show the actual net results of all financial transactions down to the expiration of the year covered by the annual subscriptions.

A critical examination of the two accounts will, however, show that the balance at our disposal at the date of the last account was, although very much smaller than that shown in the previous account, all so much to the good, while the larger sum was liable to be to a great extent absorbed in the expenses to which it was in part pledged.

It will be the duty of the meeting to elect Auditors for the ensuing year, and Mr. A. W. Chambers and Mr. J. G. Langton, who are both eligible for re-election, have expressed their willingness to again give us the benefit of their valuable services.

The work in connection with the library has steadily progressed throughout the year. The classification and arrangement of the principal works being sufficiently complete, it was considered desirable to provide for the terms upon which Fellows, Members and Associates could have the privilege of borrowing books, and a set of rules, prepared by the Honorary Librarian early in the season, setting out the conditions and restrictions upon which this privilege is accorded, was adopted by the Council. Except in the case of certain scarce and valuable works, which are not permitted to be removed from the library, books, not exceeding three volumes at any one time, can be borrowed by a member and retained by the borrower for a period sufficient for all reasonable purposes of study.

The sorting of the remainder of the "Fraenkel" library is still proceeding, and has been completed in all languages except German, which is now being done. I am informed by the Honorary Librarian that he is particularly indebted to Mr. F. J. Peplow, who has kindly undertaken the greater part of this work, for his valuable services and assistance.

Amongst other works secured for the library since my last report may be mentioned the very interesting sets of the *Stamp Collectors' Magazine* and the *Philatelist,* formerly belonging to the late Miss Fenton (Fentonia), containing notes by that lady and some of her correspondence with the prominent philatelists of early days, and other items of philatelic interest. The thanks of the Society are due to Mr. C. J. Phillips, of Messrs. Stanley Gibbons, Ltd., for most courteously foregoing his prior claim to the volumes in question, and so enabling the Society to secure these valued possessions.

Considerable additions to the Society's reference collection have been made during the past year, and many valuable stamps have been presented, including a large quantity of "entires," which it is expected will form a prominent feature of the collection. A strong committee has been formed under the presidency of Mr. M. P. Castle, and the work of dealing with the various sections of the collection has been apportioned to several sub-committees, for the purposes of classification and arrangement, and it is hoped that as the result of their labours it will be seen in the coming season that a distinct advance has been made in this important part of the Society's work. It is probable that before long regular information will be able to be given to members from time to time as to the progress made, and of the requirements of the several committees for extending or completing the work on which they are engaged.

It is gratifying to be able to report that the Government of India has presented for the collection a set of the adhesive postage stamps and "entires" of the Empire of India and its component States. It is hoped that this generous example may in course of time be followed by the authorities of other colonies and British possessions.

Before passing from this subject, I have the honour of announcing that I am commanded by the King to present to the Society, in His Majesty's name, a complete collection of the so-called "King of Spain" reprints of the stamps of Portugal, and the various Portuguese Colonies. His Majesty had, a short time since, taken steps to obtain these stamps for the Society's collection, and they were brought to England and handed to our Royal Patron personally by His Majesty the King of Portugal, whilst on a recent visit to this country.

I am quite sure that I am voicing the feelings of the Fellows and members in saying that not only are we truly sensible of the great honour of this the latest instance of the many favours conferred upon the Society by His Majesty, but we are all deeply touched by the knowledge that at a time of such stress and sorrow as that through which the King has passed, His Majesty should have been graciously pleased to turn his thoughts to us his humble and very grateful subjects.

In accordance with the directions I have received, I have the pleasure of handing over the box containing the stamps to Mr. M. P. Castle, as the Chairman of the Collection Committee, and it is right that I should place on record the fact that I have, as in duty bound, assured the Royal donor of the dutiful thanks of the Society for the gracious and valuable gift.

A matter of importance deserving of record in a report on the Society's affairs is the announcement, made in the autumn of 1909, by the trustees of the British Museum, as regards the photographic reproduction of stamps in the Tapling Collection. The Society is honoured by the decision of the trustees that permission to photograph any of the stamps is only to be given to applicants specially recommended by the Royal Philatelic Society, to whom the late Mr. Tapling wished special facilities to be granted.

The Society appointed as its delegates at the Philatelic Congress of Great Britain, recently held in London, at the invitation of the enterprising Herts Philatelic Society, the Honorary Vice President and Messrs. E. D. Bacon, L. W. Fulcher and J. A. Tilleard. The Congress was attended by some ninety delegates from all of the principal philatelic

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

A Welcome Article—In one of the syndicated "Marquise de Fontenoy" letters that appeared recently in the newspaper press, there was a half-column account on King George's interest in stamp collecting. It was written by one conversant with the subject and is the best story, perhaps, of the King's philatelic side that has appeared in the general press, where it must have been read by millions of persons who had no flattering conceptions of the class of adults who found in stamp collecting a congenial pursuit; and doubtlessly, they now have received a fairer impression of the depth and dignity of philately. After telling of the collection of King George, the writer says that the King is concerning himself with the designs of the new issues of Great Britain and the colonies. Those who give attention to the "psychology of advertising" in a philatelic sense best know how stimulating an influence an article of this kind has upon philately. The most powerful monarch in the world not only approves philately but he acclaims it. Truly, the halcyon days of philately are here.

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Lord Crawford—In this copyrighted article that has been mentioned, a pen picture of Lord Crawford, the successor of King George as president of the Royal Philatelic Society, London, is hastily sketched. Not alone are Lord Crawford's personal characteristics described but his scientific attainments are mentioned as well. His ruddy locks, beard and mustache are sprinkled with many silver hairs. It is told that habitually, he wears blue spectacles resting on "a very aquiline nose." He is always dressed in a sack suit of dark blue with his left usually in the pocket, we read. The great learning of Lord Crawford has brought him honors almost innumerable; and he has "about twenty-two letters of the alphabet after his name," as representing renowned English and foreign scientific bodies in which he has membership. Indeed, it is remarked that in all probability he is the most learned man in the house of lords. His liberality particularly to his native land, Scotland, has been shown by gifts of instruments and collections. It is gratifying that philately claims a good share of the regard of his lordship; and it is pleasant for Americans to think that he so favors the stamp issues of this country as to specialize in them so extensively as he has done. His collection of our stamps is written up admirably and it is the best, we believe, extant.

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Traduced—Our weekly contemporary has been guilty of as flagrant a piece of petty deceit, conspicuous by its malicious intent, as ever shamed a vehicle making any pretensions to ordinary decency. It says in reference to the proposed amendments providing for the issue of its own official journal by the American Philatelic Society: "We have been informed that these amendments have been sent in due and proper course to the Secretary, through whose hands they must pass before publication in the official organ, but that some doubt is felt by those fathering the project as to whether the amendments will see the light of print (insofar as our Boston contemporary is concerned) within the thirty days before the convention which the constitution prescribes. Suffice it to say that these proposed amendments are not likely to be much relished at 508 Kast Building, Boston, and that an important section of the by-laws makes it much safer and better to carry amendments under the thirty-day notice rule than without it." This slander appeared in the paper dated July 23rd; the proposed amendments under notice were printed in the WEEKLY dated July 16th and yet no effort was made to stop the circulation of the statement. The WEEKLY has remained silent sometimes

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Its Own Official Journal—The proposal to establish a monthly by the American Philatelic Society to act as official journal is one that has never been opposed systematically if at all, in the columns of the WEEKLY during the last decade, according to our recollection. It is admitted almost unanimously that the American Philatelic Society should have its paper, and it has long been the expectation that in good time, it would have. The hesitancy that many members have felt in actively supporting the plan for the establishing of the paper is based on the question of funds and that of providing for the uninterrupted performance of the duties that enter into a publishing proposition of the kind. At the coming convention it is certain that the advisability of launching a society journal will be discussed seriously and it is likely that those who will be prominent in favoring the project will be prepared to submit figures that will have an important bearing on the proposal. The WEEKLY has shown by its work in the past that it can serve the society more effectively than any other independent publication; and naturally, it desires to continue as official journal this year if a selection is made as has been the custom.

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Received—The third number of the Quarterly of the American Philatelic Society or the *American Philatelist* has followed close on the heels of the second number; in fact but a few days intervened between the issue of the two numbers. The present administration has shown that it worked to good purpose though many circumstances conspired to retard results. While good intentions have been defeated by the great delays in the issue of the Quarterly, there is now at hand evidence to demonstrate what the quarterly is and what it may be made to be. Wholly, almost, the second number is devoted to the membership lists but there are eight pages of interesting reading consisting of two editorials, one of which is furnished by Mr. Luff, ex-president, and the other by Mr. Mudge, president of the American Philatelic Society; and the first instalment of a two-part article, "American Expansion and Philately," by Fred J. Melville, president of the Junior Philatelic Society, London. In Mr. Mudge's remarks, an idea is given of the vast amount of work of detail kind that is necessitated in fulfilling the expressions of the members who were assembled at the convention sessions last year. The third number is a literary issue, so to say, and it has a list of contents that must appeal to every member, we should say from an examination of the number just issued.

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—H. M. CLARK.

Supplementing the above letter from Mr. Clark, we have received a communication from the Continental Stamp Co., Oskaloosa, Kans., which would seem to indicate a collusion between Walton and Jackson and to place the Stanton Collection Agency in an unenviable light. We believe a little more publicity will be of value. We quote from the letter as follows:—

"We were very much interested in the NEWS article referring to H. W. Walton, who secured a selection of stamps from the Ouilmette Stamp Co. We would state that in March we received a request from a Mr. H. W. Jackson, who gave his address the same as the party you refer to, Box 3034, Boston. He gave as a reference the same party as this Walton (The Stanton Collection Agency) of Boston. We wrote the reference and the reply we received was word for word the same as the report they sent the Ouilmette Stamp Co. We have never been able to receive a reply from the party nor have we been able to get the stamps returned. We wrote the reference and they wrote back that the party was O. K. but that perhaps we had better put the matter in their hands for collection as they were in that business. We have never written them further on the subject. We are under the impression that these two parties are in a deal together."
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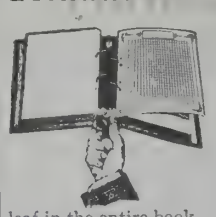

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ITEMS FROM THE ENGLISH PRESS.

By CHARLES E. JENNEY.

From the *Postage Stamp* we learn that the forged Great Britain one shilling green is found with plate 5 as well as plate 6, but that the forger was not much of a philatelist for he made the error of not getting the diagonally opposite letters the same, showing three different letters on one stamp. We have not heard of any of these counterfeits (made years ago while the stamp was in use and to defraud the government) being found in America.

The *London Philatelist* for June is largely devoted to the proceedings of the Royal Philatelic Society. His Majesty, King George V has consented to become its Patron (we presume a high honor to the Society but confess with American republicanism we do not fully appreciate it); while the Earl of Crawford is President. A list of the Fellows is published and we are surprised to see the number of U. S. collectors represented.

A donation to the society by the King is of both historic and philatelic interest, though it would certainly have come under the ban of the deceased S. S. S. It consists of a collection of the reprints ordered by the King of Portugal of Portugal and Colonies for the benefit of the King of Spain, and presented to George V by the King of Portugal personally while on a visit to England.

A correspondent writing to the above mentioned magazine calls attention to the curious fact that with one exception none of the Australian colonies during the nine years of Edward's reign, recognized him on their postal issues. Is it a forecasting shadow of independence?

The July *Stamp Lover* has an article by R. E. R. Dalwigk on the bisected provisionals of the British Colonies, or "Splits," as our English cousins call them. It is illustrated by a number of interesting entires, the only practical way in which these can be collected.

Under the heading of "Savage Island and its Postage Stamps," is quite an elaborate article on Niue and its issues. It is of considerable value to anyone specializing in this little heard of island. We notice a very succinct history of the once celebrated "Thief shilling" included in the article.

The *Daily Mirror* of London is not a philatelic magazine, but we find something of a philatelic nature in its columns, viz., a careful article on "Disease from Postage Stamps," illustrated with cuts of the bacteria found. We had always supposed that these were the symptoms of the ordinary so-called meshed-wove paper, but it appears they are deadly bacteria. In a small dish that looks very much like a benzine cup are four white objects that we mistook for perforations picked off; it seems they are colonies of bacteria. The author cautions us to never lick stamps; he has discovered in the gum staphylococci or grape-like clusters that might produce blood-poisoning. Here is field for the naturalist-philatelist; he can collect his mint 1 pound English Colonies in all the species of staphylococci, or with and without typhoid bacilli. When we recall that the public have licked stamps for the past 70 years and that there are a few of us still alive, we wonder, after reading his article. Seriously, though, the matter of contagion through stamps, used or unused, while very slight, is worth considering to the extent of using methods or ordinary cleanliness. We need not go to the extent of dipping each stamp in an antiseptic solution before we dare to handle it to attach it to a letter, as the author would have us believe. But the condition of cleanliness of the stamp-delivering window might often decide for us whether we should unctuously suck the gum or otherwise. The mortality among stamp-collectors from contagious diseases is not, I believe, above the average and we handle constantly not only the o. g.'s with accumulated bacilli, but used stamps with the preserved disease germs of all nations. One reassuring fact is that, no matter if the disease germs be present, as they may be in minute quantities they can hardly obtain foothold in the constitution of a healthy person. This question was discussed some years ago in our philatelic press and naturally died a quiet death.

The leading feature of *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* of July 9th is the article of Fred Melville on the processes of paper-making, illustrated so as to make the mystery quite plain to anyone. We believe that this article has already been published in full in some American philatelic magazine.

In the *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly* of July 9 is an article by Fred Edwards on the Empire of Morocco; its Foreign and Private Posts. The author does not try to throw any philatelic glamour over this shady country; he simply records facts as they are for history. That he realizes he is not dealing with a popular subject is clearly indicated by his ungloved handling. "An autocracy . . . . which severely represses all progress," "A general system as corrupt as the people who administer and endure it," "A people notorious for brigandage and piracy," "a troubled country plagued by its sultans and stamp speculators,"—such are some of the terms by which he refers to this country. He takes up separately the British post-offices in Morocco; the French post-offices in Morocco; and the Private and Local Posts. For these latter he can find no legitimate excuse; they are handsome, or odd, but all speculative. A curious country, as he well remarks in closing.

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The indications are that Chicago will have the largest delegation coming from any one city at Detroit. A special Pullman will be attached to the Michigan Central train that leaves Chicago on Saturday evening, August 13th, at 10 p. m., and this car is wholly for the delegates who will reach Detroit at 7.15 a. m. the following day. On Monday, August 15th, a special sleeper again will be added to the train that leaves at the same time, for the accommodation of those who cannot leave the city before Monday night; and several out of town members have signified their intention to join this second party. We wish to make it plain that any member residing outside of Chicago will be welcome to travel with the Chicago delegations, either that leaving Saturday night or Monday night. In fact, the company of those who pass through Chicago on their way to the convention city is solicted by the Chicagoans; and further, quarters will be reserved at the Wayne Hotel, Detroit, where the Chicago party will have its headquarters, for those who request the service, up to a reasonable number. A trip was made to Detroit by Henry Ades Fowler for the purpose of attending to traffic and hotel arrangements; and inquiries and bookings should be addressed to him.

Some of the Chicago men who at first proposed to attend the convention will not be able to go but other members no doubt will take their places. Mr. Rogers has left for a trip to his old home in Seattle, Washington; Fred Michael will attend the convention of the American Numismatic Association in New York City; and Edward M. Rosenthal is compelled to remain at home. Leonard Michael, now of New York City, has been called to Chicago by the death of a brother, a young man in his early twenties, and upon his return east, Mr. Michael will not be able to leave New York again so soon as a trip to Detroit would necessitate.

CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

Edited by HENRY A. KIDDER.

Any information regarding new issues will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Address HENRY A. KIDDER, 17 Addison St., Arlington, Mass. Letters calling for a reply should contain a self-addressed, stamped envelope. We cannot give applicants the addresses of our correspondents.

UNITED STATES.—G. C. Job writes: "I enclose a used stamped envelope, of the current issue, for your inspection. You will notice that the outer white ring is quite thin at the base of the stamp, and that it gradually increases toward the top. Of course this is but a minor difference, but I have come across but two copies out of over a thousand that I have looked over. Both of the specimens I have came from Sound Beach, Conn., and had a return address printed on them. More recent letters from the same party do not show this difference."

BOSNIA.—The current pictorial series is about to be issued with the addition of the figures "1830—1910" in honour of the same event as the Austrian series referred to in No. 1021.

BULGARIA.—Sydney M. Mulhall sends us a new provisional from Bulgaria, the 3s orange and black of 1901 having been overprinted with a large "1" at the bottom, and "1910" in medium sized figures at the top, both being in black. The new issue will be out in a few weeks, but there is still left a quantity of the 2s, 3s, 5s, 10s, 25s, 30s and 1h of the 1901 set.

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CUBA.—Alfon J. A. Stark writes: "I note in *Roessler's Stamp News* for July an article in regard to the 3c Cuba, stating that Chas. R. Morris points out a fact not known to the publisher nor to any dealer of his acquaintance, viz., that the 3c was re-engraved, but that he (Mr. Morris) is unable to permit the publication of the identifying features or secret marks, owing to the fact that he has allowed Mr. Melville to incorporate the discovery in the latter's book on U. S. colonies.

I herewith submit the stamp in question for inspection. In the one marked original you will notice that the mantle or cloak is as if the same was gathered on the right shoulder to form a small projection from the shoulder and in the one marked re-engraved that the mantle is smooth or flat."

The point of difference noted by Mr. Stark is very plainly to be seen without a glass, though we cannot agree with Mr. Stark as to which is original. Judging from specimens in our possession, we should say that the stamp with the projection of the mantle was the re-engraved design, though if this is the case, the distinguishing marks are less pronounced than in the other values.

COLOMBIA.—This country has come into line with a commemorative stamp in honor of the Centenary of Independence from the Spanish yoke. Whether this stamp and that of Venezuela, noted in No. 1022, are the first of a series or are to alone commemorate the event we are not informed. Hermann Focke is the first to show us the new stamp, which was engraved and printed by American Bank Note Co. of New York. The stamp is nearly square, the design being 30 mm. high by 25 mm. broad. The portrait is that of Bolivar, but is a front view, with the face turned slightly to the right. The figures of value are in color in squares at either side of the portrait, the inscriptions reading: Above, "Colombia — Independencia Nacional"; below "Cinco Centavos — 1810 – Centenario – 1910." The upper inscriptions are slightly curved. The ornaments are simple and the stamp presents a fine appearance.

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The printing is in a single color, on white paper, and perforated 12.

Mr. Focke says: "I understood that the stamp was to be issued on the 20th of July, the anniversary of Independence, but it seems that my stamp got out a day previous, as it is dated the 19th of July at Santa Marta."

Adhesive.

5c blue.

SPAIN.—The 50c value has now been issued in the current type, perf. 13x12½.

SWITZERLAND.—As predicted in No. 1020, the 2c and 3c values have now been issued in the retouched type, with the cord between the boy's head and the arbalist.

A. O. Tittman sends us a copy of the current 5c post card with the stamp in the approved place, but we are unable to say whether the card was ever issued in the other type.

UNITED SOUTH AFRICA.—*South Africa* understands that the Union Government is preparing an artistic postage stamp to celebrate the establishment of the Union.

WHO KNOWS CHAS. J. ENGLE?

We gave Mr. Engle a complimentary bit of space last week and now Mr. Eaton takes the floor with a few statements about this same gentleman:

MUSCATINE, Iowa, July 26, 1910.

"I write this to call your attention to a party by the name of Chas. J. Engle, giving his address 538 W. 145th St., New York City, weo writes that he makes a specialty of British possessions and wanting to know terms, etc. Gives as reference Mr. J. H. Rivers, a member of the New York Produce Exchange, 26 Broadway, of New York City, and asks me to write him for reference. As I knew nothing of this party I wrote a prominent party in New York City to know if there was such a party at that address and as to whether he was alright. The reply was they knew nothing of such party and neither this gentleman nor Mr. Engle's name appeared in the directory. I also wrote Mr. Rivers at the above address, and letter was returned to me stamped "not known at 26 Broadway, N. Y." Perhaps you have had other complaints by this time. I write this so if you want to make mention of the fact it may save others any trouble. Upon receiving from the N. Y. party the letter, I again wrote Mr. Engle, and asked him to give me the name of some reliable stamp firm, and at the present time have not received any reply though I have had ample time to hear from him."—D. T. EATON.

OUR BOOK REVIEW.

U. S. State Revenue Stamps.—This is a handsomely gotten up check list of 36 pps. issued by the U. S. R. S. and compiled by J. Delano Bartlett, the secretary of the society. Mr. Bartlett's name is a guarantee as to thoroughness and the work will meet with a hearty reception at the hands of revenue collectors and especially collectors of state revenues. The book is fully illustrated with nice cuts. No price is given.

—Robt. G. Montgomery sends us a copy of the newspaper article referred to by Mr. Severn editorially. We should be glad to reprint the same were it not for the fact that it is copyrighted. The salient features of the article are touched upon by Mr. Severn.

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ROYAL PHILATELIC SOCIETY.
(Continued from page 271.)

societies of the United Kingdom, and the admirable arrangements made by the Herts Society for the meetings, both for the business transactions and for the entertainment of the delegates and their friends, were highly appreciated by all those attending the Congress.

Some papers of a high order of merit were read, and there were several discussions on matters of interest. Although no definite results were arrived at there can be no doubt as to the advantage to philately that must ensue from the opportunities afforded by gatherings of this description for the mutual exchange of views on matters of general philatelic importance between the representatives of the various societies and bodies, who, but for the Congress, would not otherwise be brought into contact with one another.

To those few who are inclined to scoff and to complain that nothing of real value has yet been effected, I would counsel patience. This is only the second Philatelic Congress that has been held in this country, and in all such matters some time must necessarily elapse before solid results can be expected to arise from the combined wisdom gradually developed from the experience gained by frequent meetings and interchange of ideas.

It has now been practically decided that the Congress shall be an annual affair, and Birmingham has been fixed as the place of meeting for next year.

The celebrated collection of our late fellow-member, Sir William Avery, Bart., has during the past year been absorbed by the market. It is to be regretted that such a collection could not have been kept intact, but it is a satisfaction to know that some at any rate, of the very great rarities for which the collection was renowned have found a resting-place amongst the stamps of other Fellows of this Society.

The interesting discovery, reported by Mr. Bacon, amongst the stamps owned by Sir W. Avery, of the missing essay of the 2d Sydney View, which had been removed at some time from a piece of paper in the Tapling Collection, on which are the essays of the 1d and 3d values, is worthy of note, and encourages the hope that some day the remaining missing Queen's Head essay by Clayton may be also found in some similar manner.

The issue of the new 4d stamps on the 1st November, last, and of the 7d value which only appeared on the 4th May in this year, will, it is presumed, complete the series of the King Edward stamps of the Mother Country, with the exception, perhaps, of a fresh design for the 2d value, which has been prepared but has not yet been issued.

The question of the stamps for the new reign will no doubt come under consideration at an early date, and if, as there is no doubt will be the case, the King is consulted, the knowledge and experience of His Majesty on such a subject cannot fail to be of advantage to the authorities, in enabling them to provide for this country stamps of greater artistic merit than those which we have for some years past been accustomed to see.

In regard to forthcoming events, one of the most interesting will be the International Philatelic Exhibition to be held at Berne in September next. Under the able guidance of our fellow-member, Baron A. de Reuterskiöld, as President of the Committee, a great success is anticipated for the Exhibition, which is the first to be held in Switzerland for fourteen years.

An Exhibition is also announced in Vienna in 1911, in which the Austrian societies will join, and I notice that Mr. A. Passer, a Fellow of this Society, will act as the Honorary Secretary.

The limits of space usually allotted to my annual report will not permit, on this occasion, of a more extended reference to events unconnected with the Society and its members, but all such events are duly recorded as they occur in the numerous philatelic journals that are now at our disposal.

WAYNE HOTEL, GARDENS AND SUMMER AUDITORIUM.

By courtesy of H. W. Boers.

The hotel pictured above will be the headquarters of the Chicago delegation in attendance upon the A. P. S. convention at Detroit. It is a high class hotel and has in connection with it one of the most popular places of amusement in the city.

Mr. Boers in submitting this half-tone wishes us to invite all philatelists owning kodaks to bring them along, as "there is a whole lot of good things here worth photographing and remembering." Mr. Boers suggests that a photo record of the convention will be the best thing to refresh the memory in recalling the events of convention week. The Weekly will be very glad to go to the expense of having some half-tones made from some good group pictures.

COMMUNICATIONS.

(We do not hold ourselves responsible for the views expressed by our readers. Our columns are always open for communications of general interest.—Ed.)

Mankato, Minn., July 20, 1910.

To the Editor:

As this is an age of research, many articles have been written on subjects relating to philately, which has long been a hobby and has advanced until today it is a science.

As the conventions of the American Philatelic Society and the United States Revenue Society will be held next month at the same time in the beautiful city of Detroit, would it not now be well to arouse a favorable sentiment in an important work?

In the past many good articles have been published on United States and United States Revenue Stamps in various philatelic magazines. Would it not be well when the Convention meets to formulate some plan whereby these and future writings on this class of stamps could be preserved in volumes?

As a suggestion, if each of these societies appoint a committee, with power to act, to select all valuable writings of the past, and with permission of the authors consolidate in one volume; all future selected articles in one volume a year. These volumes would be only for members of these societies, free.

Not every member has access to all philatelic literature, but in this way all members would get all good articles published on stamps as above in one volume a year. This would increase the number of stamp collectors and would aid to further philately in general.

These articles published by the societies would stimulate philately and thereby increase the membership.

This great American country is destined to become the great philatelic land.

Jno. N. Deglmann.

Kenansville, N. C., July 28, 1910.

To the Editor:—

I am inclosing herewith ballot and proxy (signed in blank) which please place in the hands of some member who will attend the Convention at Detroit and whom you believe to be as strong a supporter of Mekeel's Weekly as I am. If it is the idea of the members to compensate us for the loss of the Weekly, let it be by reducing the dues by so much as they have been paying for the Weekly. I propose to remain a member of the A. P. S. but were it a question of doing without the A. P. S. or the Weekly, I should drop out of the Society.

Jno. F. Hinson.

AMERICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY—*Continued from page 276.*

tional Banking Corporation, Colon. Proposed by John R. Miller, No. 2191.

Seubert, Justin A., 506 S. Clinton St., Syracuse, N. Y.; age legal; Mfgr. References: National Bank of Syracuse; C. H. Sanford. Proposed by P. M. Wolsieffer, No. 38.

Lagerberg, Guy de, 70 Park Ave., Passaic, N. J.; age 20; Student. References: Ernest W. Gilson, Fitchburg, Mass.; Williamstown National Bank, Mass. Proposed by Willard O. Wylie.

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3843. Jerrems, Wm., Los Angeles, Cal.
3844. Hills, Frank K., Ft. Wayne, Ind.
3845. Kassen, S. A., Spokane, Wash.
3836. Dalgren, C. U., Gloster, Miss.

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345. Kleine, Wm., 333 E. 90th St., New York, N. Y.

Resignations Accepted.

2592. McIlree, Mrs. J. H., Regina, Sask., Canada.
2807. Paiara, D. C., Amsterdam, Holland.
2444. Hill, Edwin B., Mesa, Arizona.

Changes of Address.

3831. Fehlig, Burdette H., from Locust St. to 2330 Park Ave., St. Louis, Mo.
3057. Powell, H. A., from Knoxville, Tenn., to Box 318, Paris, Texas.
3455. Pierson, Martin A., from 224 to 355 Locust St., Chicago, Ill.
116. Book, Robt. D., from Box 255 to 424 Wood St., care Robinson Bros., Pittsburg, Pa.
1785. Noel, Wm. G., from 25th St. to 1807 Cherry St., Milwaukee, Wis.
3171. Beatty, R. H., from Tenbush Bldg. to Republic Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio.

Membership Summary.

Total membership July 30, 1910,	1966
New stockholders,	4
	1970
Resignations accepted,	3
Total membership August 6, 1910,	1967

The following list has been reported to the Secretary as those members not having paid their dues for the fiscal year 1909–1910. Should your number happen to be among this list and you have paid your dues, please examine carefully and see if the check or money order has been cashed and returned as paid. If it has not there is every indication that it has never been received by the party to whom it was sent. Should there be any numbers published that have paid it will be rectified upon the proper notice. With a membership as large as ours there is every chance for mistakes to occur.

July 30, 1910.—List of Delinquent Members in Arrears for Dues 1909–10.

51	2066	2630	3006	3286
162	2071	2645	3015	3290
272	2072	2660	3020	3292
285	2089	2687	3027	3293
330	2101	2690	3039	3295
437	2120	2691	3040	3296
496	2129	2697	3049	3310
557	2133	2703	3051	3317
670	2138	2716	3059	3312
676	2155	2717	3061	3322
679	2156	2730	3063	3333
757	2158	2741	3066	3348
788	2173	2745	3070	3349
921	2209	2761	3074	3353
1077	2221	2763	3079	3361
1094	2231	2772	3088	3387
1154	2236	2774	3090	3391
1167	2242	2779	3095	3395
1384	2246	2789	3096	3405
1409	2253	2791	3105	3420
1434	2257	2793	3111	3426
1440	2259	2814	3112	3428
1468	2277	2815	3121	3431
1528	2294	2820	3130	3433
1543	2300	2827	3138	3437
1568	2303	2833	3140	3450
1663	2305	2839	3144	3452
1667	2306	2843	3150	3453
1713	2317	2850	3154	3461
1723	2332	2851	3168	3463
1749	2338	2869	3172	3479
1774	2362	2872	3176	3483
1776	2368	2875	3178	3488
1779	2395	2879	3179	3490
1832	2407	2895	3184	3493
1833	2413	2908	3185	3498
1862	2421	2919	3193	3499
1892	2429	2926	3209	3515
1904	2446	2937	3214	3537
1915	2448	2939	3215	3542
1917	2455	2941	3217	3551
1921	2490	2944	3220	3555
1983	2522	2951	3233	3567
2013	2525	2957	3239	3581
2016	2552	2967	3240	3588
2017	2553	2970	3244	3590
2024	2554	2988	3258	3593
2040	2556	2991	3259	3594
2057	2618	2997	3261	
2060	2627	3002	3265	

Please look and see just how you stand. You will confer a favor upon the Society and yourself by so doing.

Let's see you at Detroit!

H. S. Adair, Sec.

St. Louis, Mo., July 30, 1910.

To the Secretaries of Branch Societies:

In accordance with Section 4, Article 9 of the By-Laws, you are called upon to report to this Board a statement of the number of meetings held by your respective branches during the year, to furnish us with a list of the members in good standing at the time of your report, and such other information pertaining to the work of your respective branches which may be of interest to the Society.

Please furnish these reports before August 15, 1910.

F. R. Cornwall,
Chairman Board of Vice Presidents.

Branch No. 18.

The regular meeting of Branch No. 18 was held at the Club Room of the Philadelphia Stamp Club on July 19th, President Hahman in the chair. The Secretary's report of the previous meeting was approved. Eight members were present.

Percy McG. Mann announced that extra editions of the *Philadelphia Stamp News* would be published at Detroit, Mich., on the three days of the A. P. S. convention, and that they will be for gratuitous distribution to the members present.

There being no business to transact the meeting was adjourned.

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

6643 Normal Ave., Chicago, Ill., May 28th, 1910.

To the Stockholders of the American Philatelic Society:—

The Twenty-Fifth Annual Convention of this Society, for the election of directors and the transaction of such business as may be legally brought before it, will be convened at Detroit, state of Michigan, upon Tuesday, the sixteenth day of August, 1910, at 10 o'clock a. m., and upon succeeding days, until all business shall have been disposed of.

I hereby appoint the following gentlemen to serve as the Committee on Credentials: P. M. Wolsieffer of Chicago, Ill., chairman; W. C. Stone of Springfield, Mass.; H. C. Crowell of Cleveland, Ohio; C. F. Heyerman, of Detroit, Mich.; L. C. Hassler, of Louisville, Ky.

The Committee of Arrangements (previously appointed) will stand as follows: Eugene Telfer, A. R. Fernald, Howard C. Beck and C. F. Heyerman, all of Detroit, Mich.

The headquarters of the Convention will be at the Hotel Cadillac; business sessions will be held at the Museum of Fine Arts on Jefferson St.

H. N. MUDGE, President.

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REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING JULY 30, 1910.

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Jerrems, Wm., Jr.	Marston, Herbert W.
Hills, Frank K.	Eilers, R. M.
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APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

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Pietz, Adam, 1011 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.; age 38; Medalist. Reference: The Equitable Trust Co. Proposed by Iver R. Johnson, No. 2049.

Furger, Franz, 713 14th St., Washington, D.C.; Prof. of Languages. Reference: Washington Philatelic Society. Proposed by Philip H. Ward, Jr., No. 2234.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3839. Long, John M., Cleveland, Ohio.
3840. Reddy, H. C., Glen Arbor, Mich.
3841. Bartleson, Rasmus, Sunbeam, Minn.
3842. Atherton, H. P., Richmond, Va.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

2454. Green, Dick, from Boise, Idaho, to 4621 Columbine, Denver, Colo.
2756. Eckweiler, Howard J., from 107th St. to 2126 8th Av., New York, N. Y.
3232. Hartman, Arthur C., from Stephenson Bdg. to 133 2nd St., Milwaukee, Wis.
2356. Boisselier, R. W., from 704 to 1203 Missouri Trust Bldg., St. Louis, Mo.

RESIGNATIONS RECEIVED.

548. Glasewald, A.E., Gossnitz, Germany.
3428. Papadachi, D., Rostov-on-Don, Russia.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY.

Total membership July 23, 1910,	1962
New stockholders,	4
Total membership July 30, 1910,	1966

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APPLICATIONS PENDING.

Howard, Sidney C.	Goebel, George C.
Dean, Leo E.	Grubbs, T. Elmer.
Justi, Henry M.	Johnston, Guy.
King, H. D.	Owen, A. E.
Prescott, Frank.	Echols, J. C
Marston, Herbert W.	Pietz, Adam.
Eilers, R. M.	Furger, Franz.
Rocca, Joseph.	

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Patterson, W. O., Colon, Panama; age 32; Engineer. Reference: Interna-

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By Clarence H. Eagle.

I have been asked by the secretary of the U. S. R. S. to compile a list of all imperf. and part. perf. revenues as far as known in pairs. He has also asked me to be brief. I think, therefore, that the shortest way is to mention those that are not known to me in pairs.

I believe that I have pairs of all that are known to exist in pairs. If there are any pairs that I have no specimen of, I have yet to learn where they are, as the owners have not disclosed themselves.

The Scott Catalogue is now very correct as far as it goes. It prices every imperf. of the 1st issue that exists, and I have a pair of everything except two, viz., the $1.30 and the $1.90. There is no reasonable doubt that those two stamps were issued and used in imperforate condition. We have seen many single copies with wonderful margins; have seen them on the original document, with cancellation on stamp and paper and used by such banking firms as J. P. Morgan & Co., Brown Bros. & Co., etc., the odd values representing various sums of foreign exchange. Probably a pair was used occasionally but those have been lost or destroyed long since.

The 50c Entry of Goods has yet to be found, also the 6c Inland and the 40c Inland. Many wide margin single copies (or vertical pairs where they have been trimmed from part perf. pairs) are seen, but I do not believe in them.

Many pairs of imperfs. are much rarer than the price for a single would indicate. I have paid for a pair as much as ten times the price of a single copy. Some pairs I have only recently obtained though looking for fifteen years. It is within the year that the $10 Charter Party has been brought to light.

There are several pairs in my collection that are the only ones known of their denomination. Of course all I say here is as far as my knowledge is concerned. It won't do for a man to say things do do not exist, because he has not the knowledge of them. I have, however, scoured the country pretty well. I have had printed, in my search, some sixteen want lists, which have been circulated more or less widely. My list was published in one of the A. P. S. books last year, and it seems reasonable that any collector having what I asked for or doubted would have written me. That does not always occur, however, for it has turned out that Mr. Levick had in his collection two or three things that I was not aware of while he lived and which I have since acquired: the 4c rose Documentary of 1898, not rouletted horizontally, and the 4c blue Kerr on old paper in the Medicine stamps. Mr. Levick had these, but they were not listed, and he never asked me to view his collection.

A word of caution about imperf. pairs. Be careful about buying vertical pairs of those stamps which are known to come in part perf. condition, for unscrupulous persons trim off the vertical perforations and thereby make imperf. pairs. This can happen to several, like the 25c Bond, 10c Power and 40c Inland, which I referred to before. Now a few stamps come part perf. at top and bottom, like the 1c and 2c Proprietary. If they were trimmed you would have a horizontal pair of imperf. stamps, a condition in which they are not known to exist. Here is where the advantage of collecting in blocks of four (or more) comes in, for a block of four part perf., either way, would preclude any possibility of being tampered with.

Four or five years ago, a collector in New York, I am ashamed to say, took a lot of imperf. pairs, more or less common, and had them perforated at the sides or tops, making several unknown (!) pairs of part perfs. The gauge was the same as the Government's and it was difficult at first to tell them from genuine issues. These pairs were advertised to be sold at auction, with other goods, in a regular sale by a reputable dealer. I promptly went and examined the lots. There was the dollar For. Exchange and several other dollar values, some of the five dollar values, the $20 Conveyance and the $50 green, all in wonderful part perf. pairs, some at top and bottom, some at sides. I also believe the rare dollar perf. Mortgage had been made from the commoner, imperf.

I at once protested to the dealer, saying that I would not bid on such, but that others would buy and exploit them, perhaps have them catalogued,—that it would lead to no end of trouble and scandal. He saw the point and I am glad to say, had enough courage to withdraw them from the sale (altho the catalogue was printed) and returned them to the owner.

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I presume they will crop out again some day.

As to Scott's list of part perfs. it is also quite accurate. It catalogues the 2c orange Bank Check, which I have never seen in a pair and wide margin copies of those cheap stamps, which were used in billions, is no proof. The $10 Conveyance has been listed several years, but I have not the least bit of knowledge about it. The $25 Mortgage is not strictly speaking a part perforate. There are a few horizontal pairs known that are perforated all around, but not vertically between. I have pairs, and I have two singles that were a pair and separated between, where the perforation escaped, making a stamp perforated at top, one side and bottom. All these stamps were cancelled by W. G. M. and J. C. April 3d to 7th, 1864. They should be classed as errors.

I have some pairs perf. top and bottom that Scott does not list, for he does not make that distinction, viz., 10c Bill of L., 10c Certificate, 10c Contract. I do not think they were made from imperf. pairs. When buying them, I required an affidavit from the original discoverer that he took them off the document in that condition.

I think I have pairs of all that Scott lists except the 25c Warehouse Receipt. I think it exists, for we find so many good singles. It was only recently that I got a vertical pair of the 25c Life Insurance. I required an affidavit before a notary. They were found in West Virginia, and the signer found them on the document in that condition and "further that there were no more of them". I then bought the pair.

I have horizontal pairs of the 50c Passage Ticket perf. top and bottom, which came from the San Francisco Custom House before the earthquake period.

I have a horizontal pair of 3c For. Exch. perf. top and bottom. Also a similar pair of $1 Inland Exchange. This pair is cancelled with stamp in circle, "July 10 1869, John F. Henry Medicines, 3 College Place, N. Y." The date is in center of circle. I think this may be classed with the errors, as the date was very late, and the color and paper of the stamp is not of the imperf. and part perf. period. I do not know if Scott's listing of the $1 Inland Ex. refers to this pair of mine or to a pair perf. at sides. I have good single copies of the latter but no pair.

NOT A FAULT BUT A FAVOR.

The official name of this paper is *A. C. Roessler's Stamp News.* Previously it was *The Stamp News.* Some persons confused it with MEKEEL'S STAMP NEWS. Hence the change. This is rather hard on MEKEEL'S, but it isn't our fault.—*A. C. Roessler's Stamp News.*

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VEXED CENTRAL AMERICA.

A Timely Study of Conditions Shows a Sickening Story of Mismanagement.

BY FORBES LINDSAY.

(Philatelists will be interested in this article even though its philatelic value may be nil. It offers a study of these Central American attempts at government with which as stamp collectors we are more or less familiar.—ED.)

Somewhat tardily our people are beginning to be impressed by the fact that our commercial and political relations with the countries of Central America are constantly growing greater and closer. Out of this realization is naturally rising a desire for information regarding a region about which little is known by Americans in general. Strange to say, Mr. Palmer's book ("Central America and Her Problems." An account of a Journey from the Rio Grande to Panama, with Introductory Chapters on Mexico and Her Relations to Her Neighbors. By Frederick Palmer, F. R. G. S. Map and illustrations. One volume, 8vo., Cloth, Pp. 345. New York: Moffat, Yard & Co., $2.50 net.) is the only volume extant that tells of Central America as it exists today. That alone would stamp it as a valuable addition to the bibliography of travel. But it deserves the highest commendation as the product of a trained observer who has made a thoughtful study of his subject and treated it with a just impartiality very difficult to maintain under the impact of impressions calculated to arouse the indignation of an American. More effective material than that which came to the author's hand for the composition of a sensational volume it is hardly possible to conceive. As he says, "barbarities worse than those which have excited our indignation in Russia and Turkey exist," but it is greatly to his credit, as well as to the advantage of his readers, that he has pictured these conditions without any unnecessary use of yellow paint.

Mr. Palmer makes an explanation, something in the nature of an apology, for the inclusion of the four chapters on Mexico with which the book opens:

"There has been a surfeit of books on Mexico, every one adding to the store of information about the manners and customs of a picturesque neighbor; but too many, dealing with general conditions, have reflected the roseate view of the Diaz bureaucracy, which has been niggardly neither of expense nor pains in influencing American public opinion. One may safely say that no country has had a better press service."

The author's summary of Mexican conditions and his reflections upon the future of the country are both enlightening and interesting. Unlike many recent writers on the subject, he fully appreciates the serious significance of the growing spirit of "Mexico for the Mexicans" and the ever-increasing Americanophobia which "is not limited to the crowd alone, but permeates every class of Mexican society. * * * No Mexican doubts that we mean conquest in the end. The wiser ones reason that it is inevitable to our growth and our aggressive nature. The others take it for granted. Our protestations only confirm the conviction of our hypocrisy." In the improved well-being and increasing intelligence of the peon Mr. Palmer sees a potent element in "the rising patriotic sentiment which is the most vital and threatening political factor of the future."

Of the question, which daily grows more urgent, "What will become of Mexico when Diaz dies?" the author has to say:

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Four chapters are devoted to Guatemala. The utter rottenness of the administration is described adequately but without exaggeration:

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Of Estrada Cabrera, Mr. Palmer says: "He is forty-five, alert, suspicious of manner, with a strain of Indian blood evident in his features. When an officer in his household appeared rather suddenly in the doorway, his keen glance, the quick movement of his body in readiness for an emergency, the sharp call of inquiry with which he broke the flow of his talk, indicated a watchfulness which had become part of his existence." The assassination of his predecessor opened the way for Cabrera's occupancy of the Presidencia, and his own removal by the same summary method has more than once been attempted.

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autocrat, their President, the author answers the question which naturally arises in the mind of the reader:

"Why do not these people sell their property? Why do not they leave Guatemala? They cannot sell their property without the consent of the officials, who refuse to issue a legal transfer. They cannot leave Guatemala except over jungle trails, and then only if undetected. Cabrera fears that if he let them go they would become emigrados, who would agitate against him. Then why do not a hundred of the leading citizens band together and buy arms and start a revolution? The first answer is that the United States has supported the party in power, which is the official Government, regardless of its nature; and the second is that Cabrera has the leading citizens terrorized, as he has every one else. They suspect one another; coordination is impossible."

Salvador, "the smallest republic," is disposed of in one chapter. Notwithstanding her hitherto successful defense against her ancient enemy, Guatemala, Mr. Palmer believes that Salvador is doomed to lose her independence.

The secret of the Salvadoreans' relative happiness and content the author found when he "passed plot after plot of coffee ground as large as village squares, each owned and worked by some peasant proprietor."

But Salvador is being dragged down to the level of the worst Central American States.

"Conditions are growing worse, economically and politically. On the 700,000 quintals of coffee produced every year, each quintal has to pay a tax of 40 cents in gold. Sugar is free of export tax as yet, and a little of it is shipped to Europe and to Ecuador. * * * * Duties are heaviest of any country in the world, and are arranged on a system to encourage official favoritism in return for bribes. They are mostly according to weight with a pound of barbed wire paying almost as much as a pound of lace. On top of this is a special tax of 240 per cent. and still another bonos oro of 360 per cent. put on for war purposes. Flour which costs in San Francisco $6 a barrel, in Salvador costs about $12; a case of coal oil that costs $1 in New York costs $7 laid down in Salvador. No wonder the Salvadorean eats little bread; no wonder he goes to bed early."

Honduras is described as "the most backward country of them all," and Miguel Davila, its Chief Executive, as "the one clean-handed President in money matters in Central America." Also he is probably the most unhappy of this group of unconstitutional rulers. To the author he said:

"I go to bed every night without knowing what may happen in the morning. I have no one whom I can trust. I have to do all for myself. All I ask is to escape assassination and finish my term of office honorably. What hope of peace or development has Honduras lying between Guatemala and Nicaragua? None, except by interference from the United States."

The sickening story of misgovernment and corruption runs on with a touch of monotony through the chapters on Nicaragua, and then we find relief in the description of "happy little Costa Rica."

"Costa Rica is the one country, from the Mexican to the Chilean borders, with a comparatively free press and free speech from the members of the opposition in Congress; the one country to which the Canal Zone doctors freely send convalescents for recuperations, and the one country (excepting Mexico) where you travel without a passport or official permission to enter and leave."

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"No, Sir. We aren't going to have any dictators in our country. Why, we have plenty of men who are smart enough to be President. Some of them are too smart. Now, if any Costa Rican President got what you call 'fresh,' all the planters would come riding into San Jose when they had the coffee crop in, and say: 'That's enough of this dictator business!' We have done just that thing in Costa Rica before, and we would do it again, and the Presidents know it and it keeps them in order. But we have not had a revolution for over forty years. Revolutions are bad for business."

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

At Hand—The twenty-fifth annual convention of the American Philatelic Society will convene at Detroit on August 15th; and the indications are that the attendance at least will be an average one and that the sessions will be interesting. There are several subjects that are booked for consideration that will excite controversy; and there is an evident determination on the part of some of the members to make the convention one that will leave an impress on philately. It is a circumstance of satisfaction to know that Mr. Mudge will preside at the sessions and that his ripe experience will safeguard the course of business. John N. Luff, who preceded Mr. Mudge as president will not be able to attend, much to his regret; he must remain at his post, while Mr. Power is in London and the clerks are on vacations. As usual, the WEEKLY will present an early report of the business of the convention, with an account of the social features of the occasion. In the next issue there will be much of the official matter and it will require several of the succeeding issues before the subject of the convention is dismissed.

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Right—Frederick C. DePuy, Rochester, New York, writes: "I do not wish to be critical but I notice that you state editorially that Victoria is the last colony to keep the Queen's head on its stamps. How about the other Australian colonies; and Jamaica?" We followed the lead of the petitioners who said "the postal stamps of the Australian States alone retain the effigy of Queen Victoria" and altogether ignored Jamaica.

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"My thanks to you and to your courteous correspondent, Mr. Charles R. Morris, for his very kind reply in No. 1008 of the WEEKLY to my query re 'guide' lines. The difficulty disappeared as I read the explanation by Mr. Morris.

I am still seeking more information—this time with reference to the Guide Lines 1851-60 issue.

I understand that 200 subjects were prepared on all plates of this issue, arranged in two panes with perpendicular guide line between them and that it was along this guide line that the full sheet was cut before distribution, into 2 Post Office sheets each of 100 stamps.

I have the perforated 3c with guide line at right, and another with guide line at left, and in each case—so inaccurately has the cutting been done—there is left 1½ mm. of the stamp on the other side of the guide line.

I have also two others, but without the part of the adjacent stamp, one with a line—(apparently the guide line because there is a distinct 'cut' edge all down the side, and the perforations have not been used)—at right, and the other with line at left, and in each of these two, there is a row of normal perforations alongside the line. If in this latter case the line be the guide line, it appears to me that there was some variation in the application of the perforating, and I shall be glad to know:—

1. Whether there were any lines on the plates of this issue, other than the centre guide line.

If 'yes' be the answer to the above—

2. In what position on the plate were they placed, and what was their use.

If 'no' be the answer to No. 1 above—

3. Why do some of the stamps of this issue have perforations alongside the guide line."

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We Thank Mr. Luff—Mr. Luff writes: "I have your favour of the 2nd enclosing a letter which I will endeavor to answer to the best of my ability.

We have no records about the plates for the U. S. 1851-57 issue and whatever has been written about them had to be done from observation. I am now somewhat rusty on the subject but my remembrance is that the majority of stamps which I have seen and which bore evidence that they came from the middle lines of the plate and showed the perpendicular guide line, indicated that the two panes were set very close together on the plate, often not more than about two millimetres apart. Under these conditions it often happened that when the sheet was divided the cut was made too far to one side and the adjacent stamp suffered. I do not think, however, there was any fixed rule as to the space between the panes and it sometimes happened that there was a much greater space than two millimetres. As I write, I have before me a block of the 3c, 1857, type I (i. e. with outer lines at top and bottom). This block appears to be from the right-hand pane and has at the left a margin of ten millimetres. Six millimetres from the stamps is the vertical guide line and right adjacent to the stamps a row of perforations. All this would seem to indicate that in this instance there was a space between the panes of about twelve millimetres and to avoid a wide margin perforations were run along the edge of the stamp. I am not overlooking the possibility that this margin might be the outer margin of the sheet but I have never seen or heard of an outer margin with a guide line. So far as I know these guide lines only occur between the panes of this issue. In either instance it would appear to explain the varieties which your correspondent describes in his letter. This answers questions one and two, so far as my information extends. The answer to his question three would seem to be: when there was a very narrow space between the two panes they were simply cut apart; when there was a wide space extra lines of perforations were made adjacent to the stamps.

Very truly yours,
JOHN N. LUFF."

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Sad Case—Our decision in the award of the Penflip Prize has met with universal approbation unless we except the single strident note of discord that is sounded by one, who, rendered frantic with gnawing disappointment, loses all sense of the proprieties and registers the following ranting protest: "I must protest against your arbitrary ruling. It must have leaked out that I intended hypothecating the valuable 'Penflip Prize' and donating the sum realized to the 'Barnum Campaign Fund;' and I think that I am justified in suspecting a conspiracy on your part (in conjunction with Messrs. Wylie, Morris, *et al.*) to deprive that estimable young man, Mr. Barnum, of this important donation. Yours with Confusion to the Cabal, H. Wesley Legg." Our readers will remember that there were two correct answers received, under our reconsideration of the question, one from Mr. Howard and the other from Mr. Legg. We gave Mr. Howard the prize not alone because he sent in his answer first but also because Mr. Legg did not vote for the WEEKLY for official journal of the A. P. S. a year ago. Let us drop a tear of pity as we contemplate the wreckage of a mind once brilliant but which has now drifted on the rocks of ruin. H. Wesley Legg can get no surcease from the haunting recollection of his awful act in not voting for the WEEKLY last year as official journal of the A. P. S.; it is useless for him to make accusations of the wildest nature, aye, even to dare lift his voice against the peerless Parnassus Penflip himself, as we all know that his idea is to distract attention from himself and his sufferings of conscience. Do with us as you will, but let no one commit the sacrilege of lifting vandal hand or raising mocking voice against the great and glorious Parnassus Penflip.

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All Right—It is with a feeling of genuine relief that we can say that Penflip has commended our manner of naming the prize winner, as he has written to say: "Your epistolary communication enclosing your three months' note in liquidation of the balance due for literary lucubrations is at hand and as you suggest, I shall try to discount your note at the local bank. It seems incomprehensible that in view of the hugely augmented popularity of the WEEKLY through my writings that you have not the cash on hand. Your adjudication of the prize award was equitable and meets my wish. I shall circulate incognito at Detroit as I fear that my friends would show me too much attention were my presence to be known to them. Is it the custom for hotels to accommodate distinguished guests gratuitously? If so, I might have to reveal my identity to the management."

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—Mr. Rothfuchs has arrived at Seattle, where he proposes to take up his residence. We quote from letter just at hand: —

"Since my arrival I have been on the go 'seeing' Seattle. I like here very much. The 'Queen City' more than comes up to expectation. On Thursday, Aug. 4, my wife and I will take a ten days' round trip to Sitka, Alaska. The S. S. 'Dolphin' stops only about *one* hour at each landing and therefore I will not have time to dig handfuls of gold on my visit to the different stopping places."

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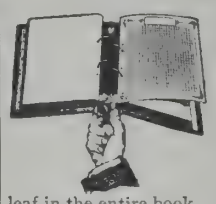

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X. X.:—The stamps issued on experimental paper are not so easy to distinguish from the normal paper varieties in all cases as might be imagined they would be. The experimental paper two-cent Lincoln, the first to appear, show the peculiar gray-blue cast of the special paper rather more decidedly, we should say, than some of the subsequent issues. First of all, the cast of experimental paper is indicative; it is of a dull gray with a bluish tinge and naturally, it is best seen when the stamps are in block. The paper is of a harder and less porous kind than the ordinary; it appears superior to the ordinary pulp paper. After the eye becomes accustomed to the characteristics of the experimental paper varieties, they are recognized instinctively.

A. F. L.:—Stamps that are washed or renovated by acid treatments are apt to have tell-tale signs. The "life" of the paper is killed in the process and results are unsatisfactory, as a rule. When current stamps are cleaned so that they might be used again for postage, the act becomes a culpable one in the eyes of the postoffice department. (2) The following definition of "obsolete stamps" is taken from "Stamps and Stamp Collecting," by Major Edward B. Evans: "Strictly speaking this term should only be applied to stamps that have actually been withdrawn from circulation, and which can no longer be used for postage; but it is very often used simply to mean old issues, no longer on sale at the Post Office. Thus none of the postage stamps of Great Britain are really obsolete, as all of them, from the black 1d and the Mulready envelopes downwards, can still be used; and the same is the case with many of the stamps of the British Colonies. But in some other countries, when a new issue takes place the previous one is called in, a certain time being allowed during which both series may be employed, or the old stamps exchanged for new ones, after which the former cease to be available for postage and are obsolete in the true sense of the word." (3) A book such as Luff's "Philately and What It Teaches" would be helpful to any collector although it does not touch specifically on the subject you mention.

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T. V. M.:—Genuinely used Ionian Islands stamps are very rare; we know of no engraved counterfeits of the stamps themselves of which there were a fair number of remainders but forged cancellations exist. The genuine cancellations, we read, are "Corfu" in postmark form, in blue, and "Franco" in blue or black, and pen cancellations. (2) No Confederate locals were issued from Richmond, and the labels that you describe are well known as bogus productions.

We submit the following explanation which appeared in an article by Mr. Luff for the benefit of two readers who are in controversy about the Franklin carrier stamp and its reprints: "It is very difficult to distinguish between originals and reprints of the Franklin Carrier stamp, especially as some of the latter are said to have been printed on remainders of the original paper. The color of the originals is either a bright true blue or a dull dark blue. That of the reprints is a dark marine blue, varying slightly in tint. The impression of the originals is clear and fine while the reprints are too heavily inked and somewhat blurred. The reprints are also found on a thicker paper of a duller and paler color. These are usually called the second reprint (I do not know on what authority) and it is possible that they are also the work of the American Bank Note Company."

E. F. L.:—The only reference that we can find in the postal laws to counterfeiting foreign postage stamps is the following: "Any person who shall forge or counterfeit or knowingly utter or use any forged or counterfeited postage stamp of any foreign government, shall be punished by imprisonment at hard labor of not less than two nor more than ten years." (2) Complain to the postmaster, calling his attention to section 1581 of the U. S. postal regulations, as follows: "Any person employed in any branch of the postal service who shall willfully and unlawfully remove from any mail matter any postage stamp affixed thereto in payment of the postage shall be punishable by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment for not more than six months."

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

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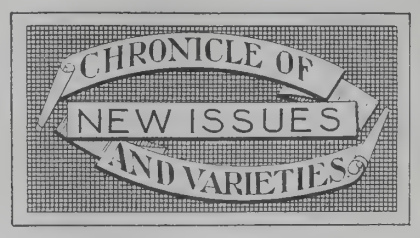

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AFGHANISTAN.—*Ewen's Weekly* has now had a further supply of the current issue and this time the blocks of 50 of the 1 abasi have margin on all four sides and no doubt all three values are printed from plates of 50 types, arranged in 5 rows of 10. The margin at bottom is about 2 inches wide, which probably accounts for its being usually torn off.

The 2 abasi stamp has an Arabic figure "2" in the top left-hand corner and the Persian word "do" (two) in the top right-hand corner; between them comes "Dak-khana" (Post Office). Below the central design are two scrolls. The right-hand scroll reads (starting at the right-hand end, as Persian is written backwards) "Daulat Khudadad" (lit. "Kingdom the God-given"); the left-hand scroll reads "Afghanistan".

As it is important for stamp-collectors to be able to decipher the name of the country of issue on their stamps, we may describe the Persian spelling of Afghanistan. It commences at the right end of the left scroll with an upright stroke, "a"; then comes a thickened curve with a dot over it ("f") joined to a blot with a dot over it ("gh" or hard "g") joined to an upright stroke ("a" again). Then comes a breathing space, followed by a thin curve and a dot over it ("n") joined to a straight horizontal line which ought to be wavy ("s") ending in one wave and two dots over it ("t") and an upright stroke ("a") for the third time). Then a detached semi-circle, like a ship at sea and, of course, the inevitable dot ("n").

Underneath all this is a circle inscribed in Arabic "ba-qimat do abasi" (price two abasi). An abasi is one third of a cabuli rupee.

In the 1 abasi, there is in the left-hand top corner the word "yak" and in the right-hand top corner "yo", both meaning "one". Between them is "Dak-Khana" but written eccentrically; whilst beneath the central design is a very much condensed inscription, exactly similar to that on the 2 abasi, reading backwards "Kingdom the God-given, Afghanistan." Persian writing seems very adaptable, as it will be noticed that Afghanistan is written "Afgha" and then as there is only room for the final "n" the 6th to the 11th letters "nista" are written in the line above, the wavy "s" being present on this occasion. At the bottom is a word we cannot quite make out; the inscription may be "price one abasi" but it is not similar to that on the other stamps.

The 1 rupee has "yo" and "yak" in the top corners but in reverse positions to those on the 1 abasi. The circular inscription at the top is "Post Office, kingdom the God-given of Afghanistan" all in one line and at the foot "Price 1 rupee" in Arabic.

The watermark "Howard & Jones—London" covers roughly 12 stamps (2 rows of 6).

As regards varieties on the sheets, the stamps are not very well engraved and there would probably not be great difficulty in identifying all 50 types composing the sheet. The most important of the variations is perhaps the omission of the dots or mark over the "k" of "yak" ("one") in the top left-hand corner of the 1 abasi.

ANTIGUA.—*Ewen's Weekly* says that the printings of stamps for this colony in the current designs have been as follows:

½d	(6.03)	59,160	CC, ordinary
	(6.04)	60,960	"
	(2.07)	3,120	MCA, thick paper
	(7.09)	30,180	" thin "
1d	(6.03)	243,720	CC, ordinary
	(7.09)	30,040	" all rose "
2d	(6.03)	12,600	CC, ordinary
	(6.04)	12,240	"
2½d	(6.03)	30,360	"
	(1.06)	6,000	CC, chalky
	(2.07)	3,120	MCA, thick paper
	(2.08)	6,300	" thin "
	(7.08)	12,000	" " "
3d	(6.03)	6,240	CC, ordinary
	(6.04)	12,600	"
6d	(6.03)	6,360	"
	(6.04)	6,360	"
1sh	(6.03)	6,240	"
	(1.06)	3,000	CC, chalky
	(2.07)	1,560	MCA, "
	(7.08)	6,180	" "
2sh	(6.03)	6,360	CC, ordinary
2sh6d	(")	6,360	"
5sh	(")	2,640	"
	(1.06)	3,000	CC, chalky

These figures tell an eloquent tale! In seven years all the stamp collectors of the world have not been able to put up sufficient demand to exhaust the small supply of 24,000 2d stamps, 18,000 3d, 12,000 6d and 6000 2sh 6d stamps. Are there really less than 6000 collectors able to purchase a 2sh stamp? There must apparently be far fewer, as of course some buy blocks, whilst some of the stamps are certainly used on parcels and others perhaps fiscally.

Ewen's goes on to give the following reason for the small sale of these stamps, which some of our readers will not agree with:

"The cause is to be found in the serious decline of general collecting, attributed by some to the increase in the number of new issues but in reality due to the increased cataloguing of watermark, perforation and other varieties, which has compelled collectors to limit their collections to one or two countries or to a small group. There is no reason why the wealthier collectors should not collect on this scale nor why the studiously inclined should not pursue their one-country collections, but for the rank and file of collectors there is no doubt that a simplified system of general collecting is very much wanted. The adoption of such a standard does *not* prevent the specialisation of single issues or countries as side collections."

AZORES.—We have received from Mr. Schachne the late issue of letter cards and find they are same as the last issue of Portugal in size, fold, color and headlines but of course have the new Azores stamp. All perf. III.

Letter Cards.

25r brown on buff.
25 and 25r brown on buff.
50r blue on pale blue.
50 and 50r blue on pale blue.

BRITISH HONDURAS.—*Ewen's Weekly* notes the issue of the 1c King's Head on multiple ordinary instead of chalky paper.

BELGIUM.—The charity stamps noted in No. 1017 have been supplemented by a further issue, all values there mentioned having now been seen in both types. There are therefore two complete sets of four values, one without background, and the other with background and dated "1910". The first has the imprint, "C. Montald" and the second, "H. Lemaire".

CEYLON.—*Ewen's Weekly* reports that the 2c value has been issued in red brown instead of light red brown, the 5c in light lilac instead of dark lilac and the 6c in deep rose instead of light rose.

L'Echo chronicles seven new values, printed on multiple paper:

20th Century

Philippine 1906, 1 peso	orange	$0.85
" " 2 "	black	1.30
" " 4 "	blue	2.60
" " 10 "	green	6.15
" 1910, 1 "	lavender	.70
" 1, 2, 4, 10 peso, each used on separate envelope		5.75
Natal 1909, 1£ 10sh, mint		9.35
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Adhesives.

10c olive and brown.
25c gray.
50c brown.
1r brown on yellow.
2r red on yellow.
5r black on green.
10r black on red.

CRETE.—The Panhellenists are certainly having their way in surcharging the stamps of Crete with "Ellas" in many types and varieties. We have not attempted to keep pace with these various surcharges as there is a grave doubt as to their having any philatelic value. Turkey, the suzerain of Crete, has refused to allow the stamps thus surcharged to be admitted in the Turkish mails. As far as the rest of the world is concerned, it makes no difference whether the stamps are surcharged or not. They do not appear to be of very much more value than the perforated stamps current in many countries, or of the stamps overprinted with the names of firms or newspapers, as is allowed in England and India.

There seems to be a very restless element in both Crete and Greece, and it is to this element that the current Panhellenic movement is due. Apparently, however, philatelists are to be the principal sufferers, though they have the remedy in their own hands.

ELOBEY, ANNOBON AND CORISCO.—*Le Postillon* chronicles a host more provisionals made by surcharging the fiscal stamps.

Provisional Adhesives.

Fiscal stamps, large oblong design, inscribed "Territorios Espanoles del Africa Occidental", surcharged "Correos—10 cen de peseta" in two lines and "1909" vertically.

10c in black on 25c red.
10c in black on 50c green.
10c in violet on 50c green.
10c in black on 1p 25c lilac.
10c in black on 2p violet.
10c in black on 2p 50c blue.
10c in black on 10p brown.
10c in black on 15p grey.
10c in black on 25p red brown.

Same, without "1909".

10c in black on 50c green.
10c in black on 2p 50c blue.

FIJI ISLANDS.—*L'Echo* chronicles two high value stamps in new colors, according to the new color scheme.

Adhesives.

5sh green and red on yellow.
£1 brown and black on red.

FRANCE.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us a new printing of the 2fr postage due stamp, the design being the one so long familiar, but the color is entirely new.

Postage Due Adhesive.

2fr orange.

GREAT BRITAIN.—The current 2d stamp is now being issued in dark green and rose instead of light green and rose.

NETHERLANDS.—A new provisional was issued July 20, and in use only one day, the 1 gulden light blue and red having been surcharged "3 cent" diagonally in black. At the same time a postage due stamp of the same value in the usual design was issued.

Provisional Postage Due Adhesive.

3c on 1g light blue, red and black.

Postage Due Adhesive.

3c ultramarine and black.

The 1g value is to be issued in dark ultramarine like the other values, the remaining stock of the light blue having been used up for the above provisional.

PARAGUAY.—Philip Wolff writes: "In the July 30 number of MEKEEL'S it is stated that the Paraguay high values, Scott's 138 to 145, have now been placed on sale to the regular public. The official date of issue of these stamps was October 15, 1909, when the Paraguayan Post Office Department (and not the famous M. Daumas Ladouce or Sr.

Roberto Rosauer) sent me all the above stamps and a few others after my order for them had waited almost half a year."

RIO DE ORO.—This Spanish colony has created several new provisionals, the high values of the 1905 set being surcharged with date and value in three lines, thus: "1910—15—Centimos".

Provisional Adhesives.

10c on 5p blue.
10c on 10p red.
15c on 3p lilac.
15c on 4p blue green.

SIAM.—*Ewen's Weekly* chronicles the 12s value of the new set, as announced in No. 1020. This value is in two colors.

Adhesive.

12s black and olive yellow.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 6d blue green, long form, printed on thinner paper than the previous issue, and perforated 12½.

SPANISH GUINEA.—*Le Postillon* chronicles the following new provisionals:

Provisional Adhesives.

Fiscal stamps, large oblong design, surcharged as in 1904, "Habilitado para Correos—10 cen de peseta".
10c in black on 50c green.
10c in black on 2p violet.
10c in black on 25p red brown.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS. — *Protected States.*—It is reported that there will be no surcharges for Trengganu, as strict orders have been given in the Federated Malay States that there be no more provisionals. *Le Timbre-Poste* says it is possible that Kedah Kelandan, Perlis, Perak, Selangor, Negri Semblian and Pahang will have new stamps, if a series is issued for Trengganu.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.—As announced in No. 1019, the 10d has now been issued on Crown A paper. A specimen has been shown us by the New England Stamp Co. and we find it is more of an orange shade than red. Therefore we chronicle it as in a new color.

Adhesive.

10d orange red.

The ½d value has also appeared on Crown A paper, the first change that has been made since 1885 in this value, with the exception of the provisionals of 1884 and 1895.

ZANZIBAR.—In its current stamp quotations *Ewen's Colonial Stamp Market* separates the current stamps of this Protectorate into two series, according to their watermarks, after the manner of the Papua stamps:

Wmk. Vertical Rosettes.

1c grey.
3c green.
10c brown.
15c blue.
25c brown.
50c green.
75c black.
1r green.
2r lilac.
3r brown
4r rose.
5r blue.
40r red and black.
50r lilac and black.
100r blue and black.
200r grey and brown.

Wmk. Horizontal Rosettes.

3c green.
6c rose.
12c lilac.
15c blue.
10r brown and green.
20r green and black.
30r brown and black.

A WORD OF APPRECIATION.

There are those who evidently believe that a newspaper man has no feeling. He can be abused, misrepresented and maligned and withal must hold his peace. Once in a while a kind hearted subscriber warms the cockles of the editor's heart and makes him feel that life is worth living. R. H. Lamscha, A. P. S. 2307, in a letter just at hand writes:

"Enclosed find Money Order for one dollar in payment of two years subscription to MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS dating from expiration. I also enclose my proxy, with name of same blank which you may make use of as deemed best for the interests of the A. P. S. I have cancelled my subscription to one stamp paper solely on account of the acrid criticism of the management of the WEEKLY."

THE BABU AND THE POSTAGE STAMP.

A Missing Stamp that Resulted in a Voluminous Correspondence.

(Jos. A. Steinmetz favors us with this clipping from *Tit Bits* and thinks it well worth reprinting, especially as the summer season is on and even the stamp collector needs a bit of relaxation. We are quite prepared to agree with Mr. Steinmetz. —ED.)

CHAPTER I.

The Government offices in Whitehall are supposed to use "red tape" pretty freely, but the supply in London is nothing to what it is in India. The natives fairly revel in red tape, and in some cases beat the English officials hollow. Let us outline briefly the true history of Babu Tara Chand (late of the Subordinate Branch of the Indian Civil Service). The story is true.

Babu Tara Chand was a deputy-sub-assistant-acting-clerk in the Cutcherry of Mr. Deputy-Collector Smith (or Jones), in the Swankibagh District of Southern Bengal, and the principal duty which it fell to his lot to perform was licking the postage-stamps and affixing them to the letters which emerged from the Deputy-Collector's office in time to catch the four o'clock "dak" each afternoon. The inland postage rate in India at that period was three pies, or about one farthing, for each letter weighing one tola.

One fine day when the officials had concluded the annual or biennial overhall of the books of the Cutcherry, it was discovered that, by some unheard-of turpitude, one stamp of the value of three pies (one farthing) had been unaccounted for. The stamp could be clearly traced to the desk and control of Babu Tara Chand. Thence it had disappeared, vanished into the Ewigkeit.

Babu Tara Chand was not summarily dismissed, neither was he made the target of a criminal prosecution. Instead, he received a lengthy letter on blue foolscap paper, pointing out in detail how certain property of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen Empress, to wit, one Indian postage stamp of the value of three pies, had been committed to his care on the 10th day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-dot, and that up to the date of writing no proper or adequate explanation had been forthcoming of said postage-stamp, of which he (the Babu Tara Chand) was the recognized and official custodian.

CHAPTER II.

This communication fell upon the luckless Tara Chand like a bolt from the blue.

It left but three courses open to him, viz.:—

(a) Resign from the service.
(b) Explain the disappearance of the farthing postage stamp in a manner deemed satisfactory by the Auditor-General.
(c) Recoup the farthing.

Of these three courses it will be obvious to any person with the shallowest knowledge of the Bengali character that the third one (c) was from the outset beyond the pale of consideration. The first (a) was also too terrible to contemplate. Therefore, Babu Tara Chand sat down and composed a letter which was a masterpiece in its way, and in which he requested to be seconded from routine service for a period of four weeks to enable him to make such a search among the records of the department, etc., as might enable him to trace the missing postage stamp.

This reasonable request was readily granted.

Four weeks later Babu Tara Chand applied for a further term of two weeks wherein to draw up a report upon the results of his investigations in pursuit of the errant postage stamp. This, having passed through the eighteen or nineteen different hands necessary for such an application, was in turn duly granted, and at the end of the fortnight Tara Chand submitted a report of 216 foolscap pages, explaining that, despite the most diligent efforts and enquiries on his part, he had been unable to secure the slightest clue to the cause of the deficiency.

When the Department of Audits and Accounts had fully digested this document, and presented a report of the same, in official précis, to the Auditor-General, through the Secretary of the Assistant Auditor-General of the Presidency of Bengal, notified Babu Tara Chand that it was not wholly satisfactory, and that the circumstances bearing upon the loss of the stamp would have to be definitely explained and proven or the deficit of three pies would have to be made good.

CHAPTER III.

Babu Tara Chand stuck to his guns, and wrote again. He wrote many times. As often as he wrote his explanations the Auditor-General wrote signifying his official dissatisfaction with the same.

Eventually one fine day, about nine months subsequent to the discovery of the loss, and some two years subsequent to its alleged perpetration, the Auditor-General—his interest in the matter of a farthing postage stamp being overwhelmed in a Frontier War Budget—sent an ultimatum of Tara Chand: The loss of the postage stamp would have to be definitely explained, or its value, the sum of three pies, be duly refunded to the Treasurer of the Swankibagh District in the Province of Southern Bengal.

Then Babu Tara Chand became possessed of an inspiration, which, even to this day, is pointed to with pride and complacency by even the most circumlocutory of the Red Tape Departments within the purview of the Government of India.

Babu Tara Chand wrote to the Auditor-General as follows:

"*Re* Lost Postage Stamp of Three (3) Pies.

Sir,—In reply to your memo. of 7th inst., I have the honour to state terrible conflagration in my cook-house on 5th inst., hopelessly annihilating all documents in the case of lost postage stamp of three pies, property of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen-Empress. Therefore, by grace of God and under Regulation Para 13,459, Section CXXXIV of Departmental Regulations, Vol. 87 (Bengal), I request you forward for my information complete copies of entire file of correspondence in this case, so that I can report again upon same to your satisfaction. I have the honour to be, sir, your most obedient and humble servant,

TARA CHAND,
(Deputy-Sub-Assistant-Acting-Clerk to the Deputy-Collector, Swankibagh)."

The Auditor-General never replied. Tara Chand had won his case.

TWO CLOSE SHAVES.

Chicago's sense of gladness inspired by thought of the coming trip to Detroit narrowly escaped being turned into sadness by accidents that befell Henry Ades Fowler and P. M. Wolsieffer, respectively. Without the presence of these two shining lights the convention party would be a sombre one, indeed.

Henry Ades Fowler, secretary of the Chicago Philatelic Society, patronized the new bathing beach at Lincoln Park on one of the recent blistering days. Overestimating his strength, he swam too far from shore, as on the return trip, he became exhausted and was sinking for the third time, when rescued by the life-savers. It took two of the life guards to land Mr. Fowler, so frantically did he struggle; one knocked him senseless with a blow on one side of the head and the other clipped him on the jaw or thereabouts.

On the evening of the last Monday in July, during a severe rain-storm, P. M. Wolsieffer, president of the C. P. S. was the target of a skidding touring car on crowded La Salle Street and was badly bruised. Had it not been for an umbrella that he held up in the direction of the skidding auto, the accident might have been much more serious. As it was, it furnished a bit of excitement for the spectators who had a good thrill at Mr. Wolsieffer's expense. Mr. Wolsieffer emerged "somewhat skinned on back," to use one of his favorite auction terms. "P. M." says that he has carried accident insurance for twenty years and that his experience with the auto is the closest that he has come to collecting any indemnity.

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COMFORT FOR NEW ISSUE COLLECTORS.

A little task I had intended to set myself for the dog days was the calculation of the number of stamps that ought to be changed to conform to the circumstances of the new reign. But a reader has saved me the occasion for the task.

The number of stamps current in the British Empire on which the late King's portrait figures is 535, representing a total face value of £64 3s 5d. These are distributed as regards denomination into—

Denomination.	Number.	Face Value. £	s.	d.
Up to 1s	404	6	14	3
Up to 5s	86	12	19	1
Up to £5	45	44	10	1
Total	535	£64	3	5

This of course does not include the stamps still in use in several parts of the Empire with the effigy of Queen Victoria, but as those Colonies still using the Queen's portrait have been so slow as to miss a reign, they may procrastinate still. The total number of stamps which will have to be changed is large, but the face value they represent is not likely to appal the new issue collector. The changes are likely enough to spread over some years and so will not unduly mulct the zealous subscriber to the new issue services. In the case of the majority of subscribers those taking values up to 1s, the amount £6 14s 3d spread over five or six years is little enough; and those who go up to 5s, but omit the expensive higher denominations will have roughly £20 face value to procure spread over years.—*Postage Stamp.*

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I hereby appoint the following gentlemen to serve as the Committee on Credentials: P. M. Wolsieffer of Chicago, Ill., chairman; W. C. Stone of Springfield, Mass.; H. C. Crowell of Cleveland, Ohio; C. F. Heyerman, of Detroit, Mich.; L. C. Hassler, of Louisville, Ky.

The Committee of Arrangements (previously appointed) will stand as follows: Eugene Telfer, A. R. Fernald, Howard C. Beck and C. F. Heyerman, all of Detroit, Mich.

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NEW YORK, Aug. 4, 1910.

The meeting was called to order by President Skinner at 9 P. M. with 16 members and one visitor, Mr. Rheinlander of St. Louis, present. Application for membership: A. F. Koch, "Weltevreden" Colpetty, Ceylon; proposed by Dicke, seconded by Levy. The members were sorry to hear of the death of our fellow-member, Ludwig Phillip, and extend their heartfelt sympathy to the family of the deceased. The organization of a public stamp-bourse was put well under way and will probably have progressed far enough by the next meeting, August 18, to be tried out. Non-members as well as members are welcome to participate.

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JUST BEFORE THE MEETING.

DETROIT, MICH., Aug. 15. (Special to the WEEKLY.)—A surprisingly large number of members arrived in Detroit so early as Sunday morning and registered chiefly at the Cadillac and Wayne Hotels. In respect to preliminary interest in a convention, the present one is remarkable and probably at no previous A. P. S. convention were so many members in attendance several days before the opening session. If the same ratio of arrivals is maintained, the Detroit convention will gain much distinction as a popular gathering.

Thus far, the officers of the A. P. S. are at the Cadillac Hotel with the exception of W. P. Wherry, treasurer, who is at the Wayne, and so the Cadillac may be called the official headquarters.

Much attention is being bestowed by the Detroit newspapers on the convention and their accounts are very readable while the Detroit members are exerting every effort to afford pleasure and comfort to their guests.

The hotels at which the visitors are accommodated present a scene of animation with their groups of members, decorated with badges, and a feeling of enjoyment, actual and anticipatory, is plainly evident.

Sunday was spent according to the various inclinations of the delegates as expressed to the Detroit entertainers, and Monday was marked in many ways, the reception in the evening at the Cadillac being the crowning event.

Some of the names of members who were noticed about the hotels up to the evening of the day before the opening session follow, but it is not to be understood that the list is complete. From Cleveland there had come Messrs. Barnum, Crowell, Hanford, Whittaker, Rust, Moses and O. S. Hart (Akron, Ohio). Chicago was represented by Messrs. Mudge, Wolsieffer, Fowler, Severn, Johnson, Farnham, Lindquist, Clark, Van Order (Wilmette, Ill.), Moisant (Kankakee, Ill.) and Bowker. Among other early arrivals were F. R. Cornwall and Chester Myers of St. Louis; W. P. Wherry, Omaha; Wm. Beukma, Denver; Percy McGraw Mann, Percival Parrish and E. Klein of Philadelphia; Chas. R. Morris, Washington; Geo. W. Linn and H. S. Adair, Columbus; L. C. Hassler, Louisville; W.G.Saxton and Earl Knight, Canton, Ohio; Howard H. Elliott, Winchenden, Mass.; W. C. Stone, Springfield, Mass.; C. W. Kissinger, Reading, Pa.; Max Heavenrich, Saginaw, Mich.; H. E. Perkins, Hartford, Conn., and as visitors, H. B. Seagrave, Pontiac, Mich., and Edgar Nelton, Battle Creek, Mich.

DETROIT, MICH., Aug. 16 (Special Despatch to the WEEKLY.)—One hundred present on opening day with President Mudge presiding. Ticket elected, with W. H. Barnum for Secretary, winning by one vote: Barnum 387, Morris 386. WEEKLY for official journal. Proxies, first report, 550. Regular committees appointed. Mudge's address applauded. Reports of officers at afternoon session and routine work. Monday night reception a success. Beautiful gavel given Pres. Mudge by Chicago friends. Detailed report next issue.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

August 16th, 1910.

To the Stockholders
of the American Philatelic Society.

Greeting:—Our Society's staunch ship of state—for it is still staunch in spite of buffetings during the past year—although not to be made fast to the dock until August 31st, has, by the convening of this convention, completed its "Voyage No. 24." On me, its appointed master for the past twelve months, devolves the duty of reporting to you, the owners, any or all matters pertaining to the voyage that may be essential to a knowledge on your part of the performance of the ship, the profits of the venture and what may, in my estimation, seem to be essential for the successful achievement of future voyages.

In making such report, apologies are offered, if need be, for diverging from the usual custom of a philatelic description of the seas navigated and of the attractions of the ports of call. In lieu, the pages of the good ship's log book will be closely scanned; to gather from them if possible a just estimate of the vessel's performance, and to consider from what is found therein suggestions bearing on a future efficiency.

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after having used my best endeavors during the past year in the interests of the Society, in which connection I tried as far as possible to keep generally informed on all phases of our organization, as I conceive I was expected to do, I have, after summing up the situation based on my knowledge of facts thus gained, been forced to the conclusion that an address on strictly business topics is the manner in which the future of A. P. S. can be best served at this time.

It can be easily demonstrated that the Society, notwithstanding the ineffectiveness of one of the most vital parts of its executive machinery, has really grown in strength, has made some little advance in usefulness and a great advance in stability. The latter because it has stood the test without demoralization of certain important matters going all wrong.

In the editorial columns of the second number of the Quarterly, and also in the third number, I gave the membership a little insight as to what was being accomplished by some of the committees; the first of which was written last February, and the other many weeks ago and consequently were apropos at the time. It is not my purpose to go further into such matters and thereby anticipate and lessen interest in the detail reports that will be presented in due course at this convention by the actual workers in the premises; but I bespeak for the reports careful attention, and the serious consideration of any recommendations that they may contain. But my particular object in mentioning the editorials is to remind you that shown therein were several items by which the claim is verified that we have made an advance in usefulness.

The so called Catalogue of the United States Postage Stamps, to be known when published as "A Reference List of the Adhesive Postage Stamps of the United States," is undoubtedly an assured fact, but at such date in the future as is commensurate with the time necessary to compile such an important work. I recommend that the present committee on this work, which was created by resolution, be continued.

The publication of an Index of Philatelic Literature the Society has been committed to since the convention of 1902, and it now seems as if the matter was in shape for a speedy consummation. The Educational Committee, which was taken under the Society's wing at the Columbus Convention of 1908, has fully demonstrated during the past year that it is in efficient working order. Its report will show results in its peculiar line of endeavor, hence I recommend that it be continued, in its present form of organization, as formulated at the Atlantic City Convention of 1909; with such modification as may be recommended in that committee's report.

Contrary to habit in late years, but in accordance with the law, the Treasurer, of his own initiative, has caused his summary of receipts and expenditures to be published monthly. From regular condensed statements received from the Board of Vice Presidents it is noticed that at the time of this writing they had held their thirtieth regular meeting. These two little items are cited simply as illustrating the fact that, with a single exception, the Society's business has been closely and conscientiously looked after during the year as far as the various work has come under my observation.

Even in the matter of our much discussed and eagerly hoped for Quarterly Magazine, we have, I think, made a creditable beginning as far as the contents go of the three numbers that have been issued. We must, however, be grievously disappointed at the delays that all but nullified what has been done, and that prevented the consummation of a complete volume on schedule time. Contributions came in for it of such character and in such number that I am convinced that had it appeared regularly and on time there would have been manuscript to select from. Delay in issuing the first number was due entirely to the failure of the Secretary to properly attend to compiling and putting into the hands of the printer the Atlantic City Convention matter, of which that number was entirely composed. The reason for this failure was publicly explained by the Secretary in No. 1003 of the Official Journal and the blame properly assumed by him. I will simply add in this connection that during this and a subsequent vexatious delay, he was given no opportunity to forget the Quarterly for want of persistent prodding. The delay in issuing number two was due to the Secretary's failure to compile the membership lists, on which the book depended, and more concerning which will be said later. The literary matter for the second number was in type, and all manuscript for number three was in the hands of the printer, a long time before number two was issued; the latter being rushed out in short order after the lists were completed. In addition, at about the time number three was shaped up, provision was tentatively made for all manuscript for number four; encouragement having been given that a beginning could be made in it of the Reference List of the Adhesive Postage Stamps of the United States, and a first installment of the Index of Philatelic Literature. These last were not called for, however, as of course number two held succeeding numbers until too late for the last number before this convention.

I have taken pains to go into this matter because a full explanation is due the members; to show that an earnest attempt has been made to carry out their will concerning the publication of a Quarterly; and to demonstrate if possible my sincere belief that there has been no individual, faction or influence that has tried to "kill" the Quarterly, as has been surmised in certain directions. Furthermore, number four of the Quarterly can yet be issued if the members here assembled so wish it, and Volume XXIII of the *American Philatelist* stands complete within the year from the legitimate date of its first number. There is on hand enough good material for a number about the size of the third. It can be issued on its present contract by about the first of September. By completing the four issues there is a possibility, but not a certainty, of its being allowed second class postage rates; in which case, as we now have a deposit at the Columbus Post Office of approximately $130.00 that would be refunded, this fourth number would probably cost us nothing, with a possibility of its making something for us. Whether you wish the volume completed as outlined, or are content to let it stand at three numbers and begin over again on a new volume, is a question I submit for such action as you may see fit to take. My own idea is that it will be much to our future credit to have the first volume complete.

The year past has not been propitious for the publication of a Hand Book; neither are there prospects that the coming year will be; still the theory of issuing such books is a good one, and the single number that has been put out in the name of the Society was not only most creditable, but cost us only $47.18 net. It would seem a pity therefore, to lose the proper power to make another essay should the right opportunity offer. Hence I recommend that a Hand Book Committee be continued on the list of Standing Committees, to operate under its creative resolution as amended at Atlantic City and shown on Page 54 of Vol. XXIII, No. 1 of The *American Philatelist*—the first number of the Quarterly. That resolution fully safeguards against premature action, while on the other hand it provides for action under proper conditions.

No formal action was taken at Atlantic City on the report of the Legislative Committee—the committee for attempting to remove the legal restrictions against publishing illustrations of United States Stamps. Hence it was a question whether that committee automatically ceased to exist, or whether it might with propriety be given another year's trial. Assuming that it was ignored at the convention through oversight, and that on general principles a committee appointed to perform a special task is operative until that task is accomplished unless otherwise ordered, I assumed the responsibility of attempting to reorganize and set it in commission again along the line of the recommendation of the committee that worked so faithfully to get results in our fiscal year 1908-09. To that end I appointed Mr. Paul Mason chairman and Messrs. Geo. K. Smith, Jr., H. A. Whipple and Gordon Ireland as his colleagues, with one additional member still necessary to carry out the recommendation of the previous committee. This fifth member was to be from Washington, D. C., and possess peculiar qualifications. Although I used persistent effort for quite a while to find such a man, I was unsuccessful. Not only so, but in my efforts I was advised on good authority that the official sentiment at Washington was so utterly opposed to our proposition that it would be useless to prosecute it further. Hence I never completed that committee. On this account no criticism can be made of the gentlemen who were appointed for being an inactive committee, if the latter proves to be the fact. Unless strong cause is shown to the contrary, I recommend that the Legislative Committee be discharged with thanks for the earnest effort it has made during its existence to accomplish the purpose for which it was created.

In 1911 we achieve our 25th birthday, and the committee appointed to consider some fitting memorial for the occasion has reported, as directed to do, its conclusions to the Board of Directors. The latter has referred the report back to this convention with its hearty endorsement as to general plan; the plan in the main being that we hold an international competitive stamp exhibition under the auspices of the A. P. S. Personally, I cannot conceive of a more fitting way to celebrate our anniversary, and to take an advanced step in the interest of philately and of the prestige and usefulness of our Society. The plan as submitted involves a probable cash outlay of $750.00 or more; and suggestions are made in the report as to where this money is to be obtained. In a broad way, however, if the enterprise is once engaged in, this Society must stand sponsor for all financial obligations. Hence, while it does not seem to me that we will be in position at this convention to go very deeply into the matter of specific sums, some provision of an elastic nature should be made by which the Board of Directors will be able to cope with the requirements. On the assumption that the convention of 1911 is held in Chicago, attention is called to the fact that with the proposed "Chicago Day" the A. P. S. convention would extend through Friday; a feature which would probably be most agreeable.

The last convention refused an appropriation for the Librarian to purchase books for our library. In a recent letter from the Assistant Librarian he urges the purchase of Vols. 13 to 16 of the *London Philatelist* and the "Gibbons Book on U. S. Postal Issues"; saying that the London Society has donated to us Vols. 10, 11 and 12 of the *London Philatelist* and offers us the other volumes mentioned, of which only a few sets remain, at ten shillings each unbound or 17 shillings bound. He adds that the International Secretary, Mr. Kjellstedt, advises this purchase. Unless the question of a general appropriation for the purpose of purchasing books should be brought up in another connec-

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I would be exceedingly remiss in my duty did I not call your attention to the fact that in financial matters we are at a point where our future prosperity gravely depends upon our conservatism and the application of sound business principles in our legislation. As was reported at the Atlantic City Convention, the expenditures for the fiscal year 1908-09 were $436.00 in excess of our general fund income for the same period; which fact is no reflection on the administration of that year. As soon as possible during the present year that deficit was credited back to the fund from which it was borrowed. At the time of writing this report the Treasurer was unable to give me final balances, as he had not received all warrants and credits known to be due, but from a general knowledge I have of some of them I estimate roughly that the deficit this year will be in excess of that of last year. In other words, we have been spending for the last two years in excess of our general income by some hundreds of dollars; which was obligatory on the administrations of that period under our laws and convention votes.

We cannot, and do not want to, spend the stock fund for current expenses. The latter, as is known, includes the cost of our Quarterly and the Official Journal, which have hitherto constituted our largest items. The stock fund is not only a liability, and, being a capital stock one that it is necessary should be kept as an asset in tangible form, but it is the most valued asset the Society has as an evidence of its stability; in that we have in it the starting of a sinking fund, the income from which will in time materially aid in our current expenses, in carrying out projects for the advancement of Philately or for bridging over any unusual decline in the membership. For twenty-four years these features in regard to the stock fund have been understood and guarded by the membership as a whole. I mention them now for the information of those by whom the matter has not been understood, and for the bearing it has on any consideration of new financial matters at this convention.

With what I have said about the yearly expenses in mind, I beg to touch on the following as having a direct application thereto. I refer to the questions of reducing our annual dues and of publishing our own Official Journal in consequence of the Post Office ruling that the subscription price of such Journal must be divorced from the dues. I can see no way by which every member can be assured of receiving the official notices of the Society except by our publishing an official circular of our own. But we are in no shape to begin such an enterprise next year, and it is not a necessity that we do. Such circular, however, I fully believe in, and that it should be weekly; also that from it something more pretentious may develop when the time is ripe in the future. Our old Official Journal has offered to print our official matter for us free as news, and I believe it but a matter of time before other reputable papers will be glad to do the same. Hence, I would suggest that during the coming year we try to work up to a weekly circular beginning with our fiscal year 1911-12; and that as a temporary matter we eliminate from our By-laws that portion of Article IX, Sect. 1, that says that the Official Journal shall be sent to all members regularly, and that which follows that does not pertain to present conditions. This is a forward step when by it we accomplish a saving of money that is much needed to make us financially above reproach. While there would be some who in consequence would not see the official matter, I am satisfied that the number would be very small.

As to the dues, I am firmly of the opinion that ten cents per month, or $1.20 per year, is little enough. A member, who, in view of all the good that can be said of the A. P. S., would object to paying that sum because for it he was not going to get a free subscription to a paper, is one who has not, to my mind, the highest conception of what it means to be a member of our organization.

From certain things I have outlined, the situation sums itself up in my mind briefly as follows: It is our bounden duty to stop the habit of living beyond our means, and replenish our general fund. Our stock and insurance funds are in good condition. We should start with renewed energy on the Quarterly; for I am convinced it can be maintained as a most creditable publication, and one in which we will all take pride. Aside from financial reasons, we are not sufficiently experienced in the publishing business as yet to venture on a more frequent issue than a Quarterly. Furthermore, I believe that our Quarterly can be placed on a self-sustaining basis by a vigorous campaign for advertisements. Finally, we should make it our duty in the coming year to really honor our 25th Anniversary. Especially as our committee has pointed out a way in which it can be done with credit to the Society and as a benefit to Philately.

To accomplish these three purposes involves a considerable amount of money in two instances, and possibly some in the third. This money is almost wholly dependent on our saving the large amount that we have hitherto expended for an official journal, in our adhering to our present rate of dues, to a careful management of all avenues of expenditure and receipts, and to the conserving of our membership.

And now I come to a most disagreeable subject, that of the almost utter demoralization of the Secretary's office during the past year. Complaints have been practically ceaseless of neglect of correspondence, failure to receive membership cards and stock certificates, and delay in the Quarterlies, particularly that including the membership list. From practically the beginning of my term of office I was called on to prod the Secretary for this or that; but knowing of his illness immediately after the Atlantic City convention, and being advised by him of difficulties he was having in his business affairs, I naturally assumed that the trouble would be temporary, especially as there were indications in his correspondence with me of good intent. Early in November, however, I was forced to a realization as to how matters stood on my being advised by the Treasurer that the Secretary had made no membership reports to him. I immediately wrote the Secretary a no uncertain letter appropriate to the occasion. At about that time I started for Central America, and during my absence the acting President, Mr. Cornwall, followed the matter up, so that on my return home, early in January, the advice reached me from the Treasurer that the membership report had been received. It soon developed, however, that contrary to the understanding of the Treasurer, this list was far from complete. It was at that point that the Treasurer was subject to much adverse criticism, which, it will now be seen was entirely undeserved, he being made a victim of the Secretary's lagging. From that stage on until July I instructed, pleaded, and threatened in an effort to have the reports brought up to date; and, incidentally, to have proper attention given to other matters of miscellaneous character. I even brought into the struggle certain personal aid, the combined effort producing some results. While the latter were considerable in volume, they were at exasperating intervals; and finally there were evidences of a cessation of satisfactory results. Feeling that matters were at a crisis, I sent Mr. Iver R. Johnson, of Chicago, to Columbus as my personal representative to see that the Society's affairs pertaining to the Secretary's office were straightened out, if such were possible. He made two visits to Columbus, in which, on time donated to the Society, he devoted thirteen days all told to per-

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Over—By the time that these lines are in print, the convention will have become an accomplished fact. The existence of philately will have been certified to in a public manner that was not without its impressive moments; and the occasion for the transaction of the business of the corporation and for action upon questions of broader philatelic policy will have passed into history. Needless to say, the convention of the American Philatelic Society is the most important date in the philatelic calendar; and the potency of the gathering increases annually. A serious purpose has been growing that shows itself in the records of the last few conventions. Further, this fuller realization of the opportunity for work of a permanent character has developed naturally and as reflecting the disposition of the members practically as a whole. Those who are influential in shaping the destiny of the American Philatelic Society are observing enough to understand that it would be unwise to attempt the adoption of measures that would in any way curtail the social features that have attended conventions from the first. Any change in this regard will be the result of the wishes of members who act upon their own thought and impulse. The judicious intermingling of work and play is the intent of those who interest themselves deeply in the welfare of the society.

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Work—It is idle to attempt any forecast of the work of the convention. We know that certain legislation is proposed and that propositions will be presented that may meet with opposition but to anticipate the action of the deliberative body would not be seemly or sensible. The results be what they may will be the sincere conclusions of the majority; whatever is done will register the impersonal beliefs of the voters. As the American Philatelic Society becomes larger, the personal equation dwindles away until it is almost a negligible quality. Differences of opinion must arise but as the conviction becomes general among those promoting conflicting opinions, the danger of harm to the organization is almost eliminated. We believe that the Detroit convention will contribute to the spirit of good feeling among all the elements entering into the composition of the society and that undivided energy will be centered on properly progressive measures.

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Mild—This year the campaign that preceded the convention was in marked contrast to that which attracted so much attention but not necessarily approval a twelve-month ago. Few opportunities have been presented in the recent contest for any really violent differences of opinion. There are two candidates for the important office of secretary and so well equipped are both that no matter which one is elected the society will be excellently served, it is safe to say. The opponents of either Mr. Morris or Mr. Barnum do not base their objections on any question of capability but rather on vicarious circumstances that are alleged to affect or influence them. At that, there has been difficulty in providing an issue and in their hearts those who have exploited the claims of either one against the other know that both are superior men. The interests of the American Philatelic Society will be properly attended to by either Mr. Morris or Mr. Barnum as secretary.

Master—There is one subject on which it is incumbent for us to speak, as we are in a position to know of the actualities of the situation and to understand conditions of so complex a nature that they are not readily to be understood. As president of the American Philatelic Society, Henry N. Mudge has labored ably, intelligently and unfalteringly for the promotion of the best interests of the society, in a way to compel admiration. It may or may not be known to all members that peculiar trials were encountered by the chief executive that he met fairly and frankly, and whose solution required the keenest analysis. It was almost providential that Mr. Mudge was the one who was destined to guide the society ship through troublous seas and that it was he to whom it was left to meet those emergencies that might have unnerved the ordinary man. As it is, all is well that ends well; and if the administration is charged with any delinquencies or with being responsible for disappointments, those who make the claims may revise their opinions when they read carefully the annual report of President Mudge, for the appearance of which, provision is made in this issue.

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Commended—The *Numismatist* for July, 1910, reproduces our editorial that appeared in the WEEKLY of July 2nd, in which the suggestion was offered that the conventions of the American Philatelic Society and the American Numismatic Association be held in the same place each year at approximately the same time. It prefaces the item with the following approving comment: It "presents a subject well worth considering. It is proposed that the American Philatelic Society and the American Numismatic Association prepare to anticipate the time when they can arrange to hold their conventions at the same time and in the same city. It is understood that each organization will transact its business and that pertaining to its particular subject independent of the other. The one who proposes this (a Chicago gentleman) is a member of both organizations. Several A. N. A. members have approvingly called our attention to the proposal. The Philatelic Society will hold its annual meeting in Detroit commencing August 16th, and may take some action to be offered for the consideration of the Numismatic Association at its convention." We understand that at the Detroit meeting, the plan will be submitted for discussion.

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Present—Parnassus Penflip attended the Detroit convention and was successful in preserving his incognito inviolate. Yet the discerning members must have felt the presence of the Great Intellect, even though its wonderful workings were repressed in their sight and hearing. Parnassus, if he will allow us to address him thus familiarly, though practically unseen and unheard, was all eyes and ears. We are fortunate indeed that we may call Parnassus Penflip our own, so far as his literary labors are concerned, and next week, his brain children will begin to play in our yard. For a time, the indications were that Penflip would be the sole representative of the WEEKLY at Detroit, as the editor was called for jury service the week before and barely succeeded in escaping duty for the second week or that of the convention. It was a rare privilege to serve as a private under the great captain of letters, Parnassus Penflip.

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A Precancelled Stamp Society was organized and for several years the collecting of precancelled stamps flourished but like most good things it could not last. Permits were introduced to save labor and precancels soon felt the effect of them. Some cities continued to use precancelled stamps occasionally but many ceased entirely to use them. Collectors soon lost interest and gave up collecting them, the society also disbanded until finally only a mere handful of the faithful remained.

It looked as if precancelled stamps would go down in philatelic history as a thing of the past. However, Uncle Sam came to the rescue with the 1908 series and aided by his generous commemorative issues, it put new life into precancelled stamps, many new collectors were made and even some of the old ones found interest in the new issues.

Several cities which did not have a precancelled stamp in the early days adopted them, among them being St. Louis, while no less than twenty-six cities changed the type of precancellation, among them being New York, Boston, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Providence, etc. Today the writer finds more interest in precancelled stamps than at any time during the past five years. Several lists of new precancelled stamps have recently been issued, the forming of a new Precancelled Stamp Society is being discussed and precancelled stamp notes are frequently seen in the philatelic press.

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To the EDITOR:

The editor of *Redfield's Weekly* has recently commented editorially on the advisability of establishing an A. P. S. monthly journal. In this connection he has been kind enough to mention the undersigned as the "most available man" for the position of editor of the proposed publication. In the issue of Aug. 6, he still sticks to his candidate in face of "much opposition". In order to effectively put an end to this discussion I wish to state that as far as I know my own mind and inclinations I am the *least* "available man" the Society has amongst its members for the position referred to.

L. HARALD KJELLSTEDT.

NEW YORK, Aug. 9, 1910.

To the EDITOR:

Today's mail brings me a letter from a very reliable correspondent in Salvador. He has written at some length about the Postage Due stamps which have been the subject of discussion. What he says bears out the contention of Mr. Focke.

I am enclosing a copy of a portion of my correspondent's letter and you may be certain the information is reliable.

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(Copy.)

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I understand that the '15 Sept. 1909' surcharge has been freely counterfeited, but you can depend upon the one I enclose as being genuine. We had quite a time with this stamp. The Post Office authorities were only to issue 5000, and several dealers wanted the lot. Orders were then given to sell to each person only a limited quantity, and this quantity was decreased until the limit for each person was fixed at 20 stamps. At the last moment orders were given to sell none of them unless they were affixed to letters in the Post Office at the time of purchase. We had to get a hustle on and address envelopes to ourselves and friends and have them stamped and cancelled."

NEW YORK, Aug. 10, 1910.

To the EDITOR:

One often finds freak stamps attached to the original cover and I beg to hand you herewith one which may be of interest.

You will note that apparently the post office accepted ½ of a 2c stamp as 1c value in postage but you will see by the other corner of envelope the cut stamp really has no value.

I send this merely by way of suggestion that bisected stamps that apparently have been used may have been sent in a similar way and one can get all sorts of freak effects by merely adding the correct postage on some other part of cover.

A. KASINER.

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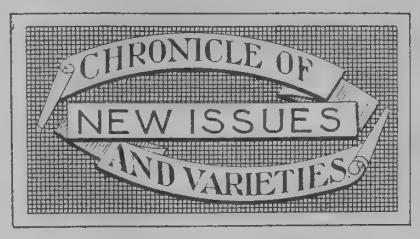

Edited by HENRY A. KIDDER.

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AZORES.—A correspondent of *Gibbons Weekly* cautions collectors against so-called errors of color in the new stamps for Azores, with portrait of King Manuel.

CAYMAN ISLANDS.—*Gibbons Weekly* says that the ½d value is now appearing in a bluish green shade, quite distinct from the earlier printing.

COLOMBIA.—The new stamp chronicled in No. 1023 proves to have been the first of a complete set, thus confirming in part at least the announcements made in Nos. 1008 and 1018. We are indebted to Hermann Focke for several used specimens of the new stamps, and to The Scott Stamp & Coin Co. for unused specimens of the whole series, except the 50c and peso values. As usual in the stamps of Colombia there is a registration stamp, and another for the acknowledgment of receipt. The 1c, 2c, 10c and 20c values are in the same design as the 5c, described in No. 1023, the only differences being in the colors and the portraits. The ½c and A. R. stamps are of the same size but of different design, the portraits appearing in an oval instead of an oblong space with round top, and the figures of value are in colorless figures in tall shields, instead of in colored figures in colorless squares, as in the other values. The inscriptions are the same, except that the ½c has a star in each of the upper corners, while the A. R. stamp has "A. R." in the same place. The registration stamp is of large size, a horizontal oblong 41x25mm. There is a blank space 6mm. wide across the top, with "No." at the left, while a large "R" and the value in figures is placed at the left end. To the right is an engraving representing "Executions at Cartagena on February 24, 1816, by order of the Spanish Government." With these exceptions, the legends are the same as those on the other stamps. These last three stamps are in two colors, all the others being a single color. This registration stamp has an error in the inscription under the picture, "Gobierno" being spelled "Gobiero", though the type is so small that the error might be readily overlooked.

Adhesives.

½c purple and black; Camilo Torres.
1c green; Policarpa Salavarrietta (La Pola).
2c red; Marino.
5c blue; Bolivar.
10c violet; Caldas.
20c black brown; Santander.

Acknowledgment of Receipt Stamp.

5c orange and blue; Acevedo Gomez.

Registration Stamp.

10c red and black.

We understand that there are also stamps of the value of 50c, 1p and 10p, but we have not yet seen them.

GREECE.—The *London Philatelist* has an interesting article on the new series of stamps now being prepared for this country. It was announced in No. 999 of MEKEEL'S, with some of the details of the engraving and printing, but as our London contemporary has a very full and complete description, drawn from official sources, we shall venture to reproduce the substance of it. It seems that the issue of 1906, although of striking designs and considerable merit, has failed to satisfy the artistic aspirations of the Hellenic Kingdom, and recourse is now to be had to the "glory that was Greece," as portrayed in its numismatic history.

The stamps have been engraved and the steel plates made in London by Thomas Macdonald, and the stamps will be printed by the firm of G. Aspiotis Freres on a medium thin, white wove, unwatermarked paper made in England. The designs are four in number and are described by the *London Philatelist* as follows:

Design A.—Hermes, the messenger, standing in front of a temple of Ionic style, putting on his sandals and getting ready for some errand. Taken from a fourth-century B. C. coin of Sybrita, Crete.

The following values are of this design, measuring 18x24 mm.: —

5 lepta, light green.
30 " carmine-madder.
50 " light green.

Design B.—The Goddess Iris, the messenger of the Gods, standing before a temple of Doric style. Taken from an old coin.

The following values are from this design, measuring 18x24 mm.: —

2 lepta, carmine-madder.
20 " oriental blue.
25 " oriental blue.
40 " pure blue.

Design C.—Head of Hermes to the right. Taken from a 2 drachmai coin of the fifth century B. C., issued in Sybrita, Crete.

The following values are from this design, measuring 18x24 mm.: —

1 lepton, oriental blue.
3 lepta, vermilion.
10 " carmine-madder.

Design D.—Hermes carrying the baby Arcas, at the bidding of some God. From a coin issued in Pheneus, Arcadia, fourth century B. C.

The following values are from this design, measuring 20x26 mm.: —

1 drachme, oriental blue.
2 " vermilion.
3 " carmine-madder.
5 " oriental blue.
10 " pure blue.

The 25 drachmai stamp is from design C only, but larger, measuring 24 mm. x 31 mm., and will be issued in pure blue.

The colors above are those given by C. G. Aspiotis as being those in which the stamps will be finally printed, and their nomenclature is that given by the ink-makers, who are a London firm. In all cases the stamps are longer vertically than horizontally. All the plates are now in Greece, and the issue should therefore shortly be made. All the plates contain 100 stamps in 10 rows of 10, with the exception of the 25dr, which is 50 in 5 rows of 10.

ORANGE RIVER COLONY.—*Gibbons Weekly* reports having seen the ½d in green instead of yellow green, and the 1d in carmine instead of scarlet.

PARAGUAY.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us another value in the new series recently chronicled.

Adhesive.

5c lavender.

REPORT OF PRESIDENT MUDGE.

Occupying as it does a large amount of space in this issue, the report of Pres. Mudge to the Detroit assembly of the A. P. S. must necessarily come under the notice of the reader. The report is a very interesting one in that it answers many questions raised during the past year. It is a remarkable document not only in the forcefulness of its utterances but in the mantle of its charity. Truly President Mudge has been an ideal skipper and though buffeted about by tempestuous winds he has brought the A. P. S. into a safe harbor. Should the inside history of the past year ever be made public Pres. Henry N. Mudge will be accorded the honors due him.

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sistent hard work in straightening out, with the help of the Secretary, the dire confusion of the latter's office. From all possible evidence obtainable, he completed and reported to the Treasurer the membership list up to July 1st, and he sent out several hundred membership cards, and such signed stock certificates as he found had not been forwarded. He thus released the second Quarterly, and aided the expedition of it and the following number through the press. From what I have been advised as to the confusion found, I am satisfied that without Mr. Johnson, or his exact counterpart in tenacity of purpose and faculty for reaching the personality of the Secretary, matters never could have been straightened out as well as they have been; and I do not hesitate to say that in my opinion the Society owes him a large debt of gratitude.

The reason for the demoralization of the Society's affairs on the part of the Secretary I am unable to satisfactorily explain. Undoubtedly the volume and confused state of the general work affected the proper forwarding of the membership reports and vice versa; each having an influence on the other. I am of the opinion that matters got beyond the Secretary's control before he himself realized it, and that while at times he made heroic efforts to catch up and keep up, his training and temperament as to methods of close application, and some extraneous conditions, prevented the necessary results. I have also been reluctantly forced to the belief that at times he was unwarrantably negligent. This notwithstanding the fact that I do not believe he at any time really desired otherwise than to do his duty by the Society. I cannot defend him, and have been unable to do so for some time, but think it only just to add the following on the other side: There were undoubtedly times when he experienced centain misfortunes beyond his control that affected his efficiency. It is also possible that he inherited a system of keeping the Society's records that were a handicap to him in view of the fact that he evidently did not have the acumen, or the disposition, to systematize and bring them up to date; which feature will shortly be referred to again.

It may be asked why, in view of the conditions that have been outlined, the Secretary's resignation was not demanded and some one put in his place who could do the work. Simply for the reason that in my estimation the Secretary's affairs were so mixed up that he alone could come the nearest to untangling them; and that by allowing him to make the attempt the Society would gain more in the end than would be the case were a change made. As I have stated, I kept getting some results, and not until just before I sent Mr. Johnson to Columbus had I any reason to believe he was not trying to straighten things out; and even now I am of the opinion that he apparently ceased in his efforts

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because he himself could not find out where he stood. Under such conditions it will be manifest that however willing he would have been, he could not have turned over to a successor the necessary data that was developed by the joint sessions of my personal representative and himself. In thus exercising the executive prerogative of my office solely for what I considered the Society's greatest good in the end, I personally assume all responsibility, and am of the opinion that the results verify the wisdom of my judgment in the matter.

To return to my allusions to the record system in the Secretary's office, I quote in full a letter on the subject which is self-explanatory:

"2214 No. Rockwell St., Chicago,
August 3rd, 1910.

H. N. Mudge, President,
American Philatelic Society,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:—During the examination of the records of the Secretary's office of the American Philatelic Society as your personal representative, I was dumfounded at the lack of system the Society had in the management of its affairs. This was not due to the particular neglect of any one Secretary, but was the culmination of the experience of years in addition to the extraordinary growth of the Society in recent years.

Having outgrown the system that was put into practice years ago, I respectfully recommend the following changes and additions, which will put the affairs of the Secretary's office on a sound substantial basis for all time, and will be in keeping with the size and importance of our Society.

First: A Uniform Size Application Blank is absolutely necessary. In the past the various Recruiting Committees have arranged their application blanks as to size and typography to suit their own fancy or needs in having their booklets printed. This has caused confusion and needless work for the Secretary in recording and preserving them, thereby adding unnecessary labor to the conduct of the office.

Second: A Current Expense Account not exceeding $100.00 should be in the hands of the Secretary, from which fund can be taken the money needed to pay postage and other lawful expenses. The Current Expense Account should be reimbursed on the first of each month by warrant on the General Fund to the extent of the disbursements therefrom during the preceding month, so that on the first of each month it will always equal the amount originally appropriated. As the Secretary's term of office expires Aug. 31st of each year he would be required to account for the full amount of the Current Expense Account as he received it.

Third: A Suspense Account should be established by the Treasurer in which all moneys received for other than current accounts should be credited. This is necessary, as many members pay several years' dues at one time, and others inadvertently pay twice for one year. At the beginning of each fiscal year the Treasurer should charge the suspense account with one year's dues for each member having credit therein to that extent, or collect the difference dificit. By use of this method the Treasurer's register will always show only those who are fully paid for the current year's dues, all partial or over payments being carried in the suspense account. If this plan were followed a quick and accurate audit could be had at any time and the collection of money due the Society easily made.

Fourth: A Duplicate Form Record Book should be established, one to be kept by the Secretary and one by the President, wherein should be securely fixed a duplicate of each form of printed matter that is used by any officer to whom is delegated any executive or other power. All such blanks or forms should have printed on them in a noticeable place "Form approved by Board of Directors"—date to follow; said approval to apply to the necessity of issuing and to form, and also to subject matter except as otherwise provided in the By-laws. The reason for this latter is that I found so much "dead" printing in the shape of notifying blanks, report blanks, etc., that represented former Secretaries' ideas as to the proper conduct of things and which would not agree with subsequent Secretaries' ideas. If it were necessary to have all blanks and forms approved before publication all waste would automatically cease and a uniform system of working be established to the end that anybody with ordinary sense could use and apply all forms.

Fifth: A Set of Permanent Ledgers comprising several volumes for members in good standing, as well as several volumes for those stock holders no longer members of the Society, should be opened for the next Secretary. Each page should represent a stockholder and should have all data regarding his application and admission into the Society clearly set forth in a space provided at the top of the page. Below this should be ruled spaces to take care of the annual payment of dues, or the date of suspension or reinstatement. This is absolutely necessary if you ever expect to issue No. 2 of the Quarterly on time. Beyond a mere typewritten copy of his monthly report to the Treasurer the Secretary has no record in any form from which he can prepare a suspension list as provided by law. Without an accurate suspension list the membership list (net) cannot be made out, hence a delayed or non-appearance of all number twos of the Quarterly. Under our law all regular members are required to pay their dues to the Treasurer, who reports such payments to the Secretary, the latter in turn being required to issue a membership card. Under the present system the cards are issued, and other than making a check mark opposite the member's name in the year book containing the list of names, no record is kept in the Secretary's office of the transaction. In case of fire or accidental destruction of the Treasurer's records the Society would be unable to replace them, nor would they ever be able to definitely know their financial standing.

Sixth: Abolish the Present Form of Membership Card. In its place should be issued a permanent card having printed thereon the following:

"This card is evidence of membership only when a receipt can be shown for dues paid to August 31st of the current fiscal year."

The reason for abolishing the present card is that there is no way of keeping track of the cards or what they represent once they are issued. The way I found out that over 480 cards had not been issued was due to the fact that I noticed so many blanks on hand and therefore knew that some were still to be issued. The remedy will be found in the following recommendation.

Seventh: A New Form of Receipt for Dues should be prepared to work in harmony with Recommendations *Fifth* and *Sixth.* This receipt should be in stub duplicate form and should show the date, name of member, address, stock certificate number, serial number of receipt, the amount of dues paid, the amount of reinstatement paid, subscription to stock fund, and also show the expiry of the receipt.

With a receipt like this every member will know just what he has paid for and when he has to pay again, thus simplifying the work of both Secretary and Treasurer.

But there is another advantage that makes it desirable, and that is its great aid in being used as a day book by the Secretary for posting into the ledger suggested above. When the Secretary receives a report of dues received by the Treasurer, he should make out the receipts and stubs and from the stub post to the ledger. Thus every transaction is recorded and a record made for auditing purposes. Under the present system the Secretary has no books or anything to audit. His records are in the form of scraps of paper, some of which have been lost and are impossible of replacement. To attempt to audit records of this kind would mean that no complete report could be made, hence the need for a change.

Eighth: A Blank Form in Duplicate (bound) should be provided for the Treasurer and used to notify the Secretary of the names and numbers of the members from whom he has received dues. This will make a permanent record and can be easily audited. Under the present system any old piece of paper that is handy is used. Naturally methods of this kind can only lead to confusion.

In reading these recommendations you have perhaps asked yourself "Have we no system left in the Secretary's office?" The answer is, but very little remains; not enough to shed a tear over.

It behooves us to establish a foundation *now* so strong and solid that it will be impossible to dislodge it without causing an upheaval in our Society.

We have experienced an unpleasant year; we have located a part of the causes therefor and if we allow the same conditions to prevail any longer we can only expect *similar* results.

In this connection I am reminded that in a previous report I should have expressed my appreciation of the valuable assistance rendered by Dr. Wherry, our Treasurer, in providing promptly and accurately, on very short notice, the reports necessary for the prosecution of the work which took me to Columbus. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Sincerely yours,
(Signed) Iver R. Johnson."

I consider the points made in this letter worthy of serious attention, and shall add another item to the writer's recommendations when they are brought before the By-laws Committee for consideration.

I have simply to say in conclusion, with a return to our figuration, that I have made you my report in the blunt fashion of a sea captain explaining the entries of my log book. As the indications are that I will be re-engaged for "Voyage No. 25" of our ship of state, I await your sailing instructions.

Respectfully submitted,
H. N. Mudge, Pres.

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APPLICATIONS PENDING.

Goebel, George C.	Pietz, Adam.
Grubbs, T. Elmer.	Furger, Franz.
Johnston, Guy.	Patterson, W. O.
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Fuller, Everett S., 88 Calle de Isaac Garza, Monterey, Mexico; age 16; Student. Reference: John F. Morrison, M.D. Proposed by G. C. Cuenod, No. 1267. Guaranteed by J. H. Fuller, Father.

Anderson, Carl A., Box 189, Weed, Cal.; age 22; Wood Worker. References: Weed Lumber Co.; A. A. Fidler, A. P. S. 2615. Proposed by Ross O'Shaughnessy, No. 1576.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3847. Howard, Sidney C., Columbus, O.
3848. Dean, Leo E., Detroit, Mich.
3849. Justi, Henry M., Philadelphia, Pa.
3850. King, H. D., Bryn Mawr, Pa.
3851. Prescott, Frank, St. Louis, Mo.
3852. Marston, Herbert W., St.Louis,Mo.
3853. Eilers, R. H., St. Louis, Mo.
3854. Rocca, Joseph, Paris, France.

RESIGNATIONS RECEIVED.

3494. Ohlson, Elmer F., Ancon Hosp., Ancon, C. Z., Panama.
3217. Schimmack, Aug. F., 11 N. Franklin St., Washington, Pa.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

2990. Farnham, Fred E., from Lake Ave. to 429 Wrightwood Ave., Chicago, Ill.
1687. Baldwin, R. E., from Langley Ave. to 726 E. 51st St., Chicago, Ill.
3397. Reed, C. E., from 9th St. to Box 1161, Council Bluffs, Iowa.
2203. Rogers, Corydon T., from State St. to 338 W. 63rd St., Chicago, Ill.
1434. Thiessen, Wm., from Robert St. to 61 E. Delos St., St. Paul, Minn.
3759. Lazos, Louis, from Box 711 to Box 211, Manchester, N. H.
129. Gurdji, V., from The Rifgefield to 210 W. 107th St., New York, N. Y.
38. Wolsieffer, P. M., from 401 to 1301 Ft. Dearborn Bldg., Chicago, Ill.
2202. Fuller, Willard S., from State St. to 9 Euclid Ave., Springfield, Mass.
3650. Heath, Geo. Ivan, from Haskell Av.to 1135 Troup St.,Kansas City,Kan.
1842. Willy, Fred, from Van Buren St. to 356 Cowes Av., St. Paul, Minn.
3238. Levy, Julius from Diamond St. to 1415 Walnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.
1669. Putney, Freeman, Jr., from E. 23rd St. to 127 Madison Av., New York,N.Y.
3178. Willners, John, from Monroe Ave. to 15212 Columbia Ave,, Chicago, Ill.
2352. Slack, Fred, from Russell St. to 1932 Central St., East St. Louis, Ill.
47. Rothfuchs, C. F., from Boston, Mass., to Box 328, Seattle, Wash.
2924. Randall, W. W., from 44th St. to 104 W. 96th St., New York, N. Y.

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546	" Post Office 1c, new	.40	.18
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REPORT OF SECRETARY FOR JULY.

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Wm. C. Stone has been appointed a member of the executive committee in place of Paul Lazarus, deceased.

Dropped for non-payment of dues: Geo. L. Engelke, O. N. Stanford, Dr. R. F. Teshan, Edward W. Voss, N. Haskell Withee and Wm. Willard, after numerous notices of delinquency, which were not heeded. They will be reinstated by paying back dues.

S. M. EDWARDS, Sec.
ARGUSVILLE, N. D., Aug. 8, 1910.

MR. PACK AND HIS NEW ZEALANDS.

Charles Lathrop Pack, whose highly specialized collection of the early stamps of New Zealand was shown last year at a meeting of the Boston Philatelic Society, has been elected a life member of the New Zealand Philatelic society of Wellington.

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Your Board of Vice Presidents held its first meeting on September 9, 1929, F. R. Cornwall being elected Chairman, and Chester Myers, Clerk. It has been our effort to hold meetings at noon on Tuesdays of each week, and this has been done except when prevented by the absence of members from the city. A feature of our organization, which we can recommend to our successors, is the keeping of minutes, copies of which are sent each week to the President, Secretary. and Sales Superintendent, respectively, for their information and instruction. Each new matter presented for the Board's consideration is given a file number, and these are referred to in the transaction of old business, which is usually disposed of before new business is taken up. In this way it is possible to keep a check on the business transacted, so that there is little chance of matters not receiving attention.

A matter which cannot be brought too forcibly to the attention of our members is the fact that its Board of Vice Presidents is not a collection agency, its powers being limited by the by-laws. Charges brought by one member against another, under Section 2 of Article II must be supported by an affidavit. These two features are perhaps more frequently observed in the breach than in any other way. Indeed, it is seldom that a charge is properly presented against a member in the first instance in which we can take jurisdiction.

Members should also seriously weigh the nature and character of their charges before bringing them. In some instances, charges have been preferred which, in themselves, are of such a trifling nature as to clearly indicate that the member making them had a desire to vent his personal spleen; or, to put it in the language of the day, get even. Unfortunately, there have been some charges of a more serious nature, and we have submitted such charges to the Board of Directors, with the result that members have been expelled. We only resort to this when duty dictates such a course, our effort being to amicably settle all differences, or to less harshly discipline a member, should occasion require.

Perhaps the greatest of our troubles has been claims for substitution. The "substitutor" is an individual, so elusive and unnameable as to be known only by the trail of his secret larceny. He is too cowardly and contemptible to work in the presence of others, but carries on his pestiferous calling when in communion with himself. A "substitutor", in plain English, is a thief,—not of the common or garden variety, but an individual of an extraordinary mental development, who, perhaps, argues that stealing of this character is justified because the probabilities of being caught are small. Complaints concerning substitution in our Sales Department have been of such frequent occurrence, and the demands made upon your Insurance Fund have been so heavy, that if the prevailing practice continues, the Insurance Fund will be wiped out of existence, or the exchange of stamps between members will be surrounded by such conditions as to make this feature of our Society repugnant to those who have stamps to offer.

As matters stand, members state they will refuse to place their stamps in the Sales Department if not covered by insurance against substitution; and yet, notwithstanding this protection, they complain of the necessity of having to so mark each space as to identify their stamps. As for the substitutor, he only smiles to himself and calls for more circuits. It is truly a case of thieves stepping in where honest men fear to tread.

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the strength of this showing that the premium for insurance was reduced from one per cent to one-half of one per cent. The present Sales Superintendent has inaugurated a system of branch managers, and whether the increase in substitutions is the result of thus losing direct control of the circuits is a question which we cannot answer. If the system of branch managers is responsible, directly or indirectly, for the increase of this abuse, it should be changed. Under the old system, where the Sales Superintendent had direct control of the circuits, substitutions were few and far between. Under the present system, they are on the increase. According to the 1908 year book, the warrants drawn on the Treasurer show that only two claims for substitution were made, aggregating $5.95. According to the 1909 year book, twenty-two warrants were drawn on the Treasurer for substitutions, aggregating $39.22. Nor does this represent all. Our predecessors recommended to us the payment of other claims for substitutions, aggregating $26.63, these claims having been investigated and found to be just by the old Board. We had no alternative than to authorize the issuance of warrants, so that the 1909 year book, if the old Board had authorized the issuance of the warrants, as it should have done, would have shown that the aggregate amount paid out of the insurance fund for the years 1908-1909 was $65.85. The claims for substitutions presented to us and for which we have authorized the issuance of warrants for payment out of the Insurance Fund have aggregated $106.55, less the heritage of $26.63 from the old Board, leaves a total of $79.92 for substitution claims originating during our jurisdiction.

We append hereto a list of warrants which we authorized the Secretary to draw against the Treasurer:

From Insurance Fund, for Substitutions.

Sept. 28, 1909.	D. F. Wheless (Old Board),	$26.63
Sept. 28, 1909.	F. W. Pickard,	7.04
Sept. 28, 1909.	Edward Christiansen,	1.38
Sept. 28, 1909.	D. F. Wheless,	3.70
Oct. 4, 1909.	W. H. Bruce,	.60
Oct. 4, 1909.	F. W. Pickard,	9.18
Nov. 2, 1909.	H. W. Legg,	.77
Dec. 21, 1909.	H. W. Legg,	.88
Dec. 28, 1909.	E. C. Dodd,	11.05
Dec. 28, 1909.	Homer Collins,	.79
Jan. 18, 1910.	B. V. Jenkins,	2.95
Feb. 11, 1910.	Edward Christiansen,	1.00
Feb. 11, 1910.	H. D. Watson,	1.10
Feb. 11, 1910.	E. Tamsen,	.66
Feb. 11, 1910.	Percival Parrish,	6.57
Mar. 1, 1910.	Frank Tessier,	.66
April 6, 1910.	D. F. Wheless,	9.14
May 24, 1910.	A. W. Batchelder,	1.50
May 24, 1910.	B. V. Jenkins,	3.50
May 24, 1910.	N. W. Chandler,	2.19
June 7, 1910.	E. C. Dodd,	3.08
June 14, 1910.	D. F. Wheless,	5.52

From Insurance Fund, for Loss of Stamps.

Jan. 18, 1910.	Fred Hagen, (Old Board),	$21.40
Apr. 12, 1909.	Herbert Clark (Old Board),	3.80

Max H. Sanborn Lost Circuit.

Nov. 2, 1909.	A. Yaremdji,	$8.65
Nov. 2, 1909.	W. S. Aldrich,	93.72
Nov. 2, 1909.	Dr. Homer Collins,	40.19
Nov. 2, 1909.	A. W. Batchelder,	50.72
Nov. 2, 1909.	J. M. Bartels,	18.41

From General Fund.

Oct. 12, 1909.	Attorney's fees in Sanford matter, authorized by Old Board,	25.00
Oct. 19, 1909.	Hann & Adair Printing Co., for Board's stationery,	4.35

Before concluding, we will say that we have given the question of substitutions serious consideration, and in this connection we wish to extend to Mr. Percival Parrish, the present Sales Superintendent, our thanks for his suggestions, efforts and assistance in trying to unquestionably place the guilt of substitution against an offending member. Mr. Parrish suggested the idea of sending out decoy circuits, and had detailed information in the way of description, etc., made at some expense, for the purpose of checking up such decoy circuits when returned. The present Chairman of your Board of Vice Presidents offered to and did assist conjointly with Mr. Parrish in defraying the expenses connected with the detailed description of these decoy circuits. As yet these circuits have not been returned, and it is impossible to say just what the result will be. They have been circulated where substitutions have been most flagrant. If a member is caught substituting, and, in all probability, the offenders have been lulled into a sense of security in the belief that our hands were tied and that it was impossible to locate them, the matter will be submitted to the Board of Directors for [A page of copy was missing here when received by the printer of the WEEKLY.]

The Sales Superintendent kindly waived his commission for selling the Sanborn stamps, and as his commission is paid on substituted stamps, the entire amount received from the sale of stamps in these books will belong to the Society, to be placed in the Insurance Fund.

We have also authorized the Secretary to draw warrants on the Treasurer for $25.00, attorney's fees in the Sanborn matter, and for $4.35 towards stationery. These two amounts were paid from the General Fund.

There are several claims against the Insurance Fund for lost stamps which came to us through our predecessors and which we have been unable to settle for lack of exact information. It appears that the old files are incomplete, but we have endeavored to ascertain whether or not these claims are just, and these may be said to be still pending. We refer to the claims of Messrs. R. E. Smith, Robert Hughes and J. M. Hunnewell.

During our administration, objections have been made to the admission of seven applications for membership. We have carefully investigated these objections, and in four instances suggested to the applicants that their applications be withdrawn. In another case, the objections came to us too late, the Secretary having issued the membership card before we received the objections. The two remaining cases are still under investigation at the time of this writing.

During our administration charges have been received against twenty eight members. Of these, two have been expelled by the action of the Board of Directors.

Charges have been dismissed in four instances. Settlements have been effected in six cases, and in the remaining cases charges have either not been supported by affidavit, as required, have been withdrawn, or are now under investigation.

Three resignations have been submitted for our action: One was occasioned by unsatisfactory results in the Sales Department; another because a member did not want to remain in our Society where unjust charges had been preferred against him by another member, and which charges it is only fair to say were dismissed by us before the resignation was accepted; the third was not a member in good standing, but handed in his resignation when charges were preferred against him, which charges we could not investigate.

During our administration, two members having books in circulation in the Sales Department have died intestate. To avoid expenses incident to securing letters of administration, we have, after full investigation, authorized the Sales Superintendent to make settlement with the heirs of the deceased.

During our administration, five branch societies have been organized or have received their charters, to-wit, Milwaukee Branch No. 24, Philippine Branch, Los Angeles and Southern California Branch and Saginaw Stamp Club Branch.

The Philatelic Society of Sweden and the Hert's Philatelic Society of London, England, have been elected to honorary membership.

During the year your Board of Vice Presidents has expended $13.50 for postage and $1.32 for expressage and telegrams, and requests that a warrant be issued to its Chairman for $14.82.

Your Board has been handicapped by the non-coöperation of our Secretary, due to absence, illness or neglect, in many important matters. Requests for information have more frequently been ignored than answered. On several occasions we have been called upon to explain the status of claims for substitutions, the payment of which had previously been authorized by us but the warrants had never emanated from the Secretary's office.

Respectfully,
F. R. CORNWALL, Chairman.
CHESTER MYERS, Clerk.
A. STRAUSS,
Board of Vice Presidents.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE YEAR 1909-1910.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, Aug. 14, 1910.

To the Officers and Members

The American Philatelic Society.

Another mile stone in our history has been attained and the events of this year bear out the statement that the American Philatelic Society stands without a peer.

During the past year we have added to the roster of Branch Societies six active branches, all stockholders, as follows:

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" " 15c " "	.50	.15
" " 30c " "	.60	.20
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* " Kewkiang 1894, 1 to 40c	2.11	.20
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Ecuador, 515 to 518, postally cancelled	1.60	.15
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" 1896, War, 4 vars	.22	.07
" 1899-1900, 1s to 1 yen	.30	.08
*Mauritius 1876-77, ½ on 10p No. 46	.50	.10
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*Porto Rico, due on U. S., 1c No. 301	.60	.15
*Salvador 1893, 2, 5, 10p, very fine	.54	.18
* " 1894, $2, 5, 10, desirable	.60	.18
*Samoa 1899, Prov. Govt., ½p to 2sh 6p	2.70	.75
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The charter of Cincinnati Branch No. 29, has been withdrawn.

Total number of branches August 21, 1909,	18
Cincinnati Branch, withdrawn,	1
	—
	17
New branches,	6
	—
Total number of branch societies August 14, 1910,	23

We have added to our roster the following Corresponding Societies:

Internationaler Philatelisten Verein, Dresden, Germany.

Orterreichisscher Philatelisten Klub, Vindebona, Austria.

The Royal Philatelic Society, London, England.

The Philatelic Society of Sweden.

The Herts Philatelic Society.

The British Guiana Philatelic Society.

We have added to our membership roll as follows:

Total membership Aug. 28, 1909,		1757
Dropped N. P. D.,	242	
Deaths reported,	12	
Resigned,	52	
Expelled,	2	
		308
		1449
New stockholders,		275
Reinstated,		9
Total membership Aug. 14, 1910,		1733

Too much cannot be said in praise of the Recruiting Committee and the work they have done this year. The following have secured the new members mentioned above:

W. O. Wylie 39, I. C. Greene 14, R. H. Beatty 10, H. S. Adair 8, Chas. R. Morris 8, Ross O'Shaughnessy 6, J. H. Anschuetz 5, C. F. Heyerman 5, F. B. Griffith, Jr., 5, Hugh M. Clark 4, L. Harald Kjellstedt 4, W. G. Saxton 4, Geo. K. Smith, Jr., 4, W. M. Artman 3, Leon V. Cass 3, H. C. Crowell 3, H. W. Doscher 3, D. T. Eaton 3, Eugene Klein 3, Percy McG. Mann 3, L. G. Quackenbush 3, A. W. Batchelder 2, A. W. Dunning 2, Harry E. Dore 2, Edward E. Brown 2, J. M. Bartels 2, G. C. Cuenod 2, C. G. Ferris 2, Roger DeL. French 2, Iver R. Johnson 2, J. W. Hazeltine 2, S. L. Israel 2, E. H. Richardson 2, J. H. Stewart 2, Chas. Waring 2, H. A. Whipple 2.

The following members have secured one each: Julius Levy, L. P. Dodge, Frank Bescher, B. Grant Jefferis, Geo. W. Baker, S. M. Frechie, W. A. Sisson, F. B. Kirby, Don R. Bennett, Felix Cohen, J. A. Hayden, W. D. Pierson, Geo. W. Linn, Herbert Bowen, Ignaz Stauffer, W. C. Estes, Robt. M. Angier, A. F. Van Order, Dr. F. Fischer, A. Schirmer, Chas. A. Coolidge, Ben G. Green, R. L. Allen, R. J. Hogg, E. P. Seebohm, Mrs. E. P. Buvinger, H. T. Parker, John N. Luff, S. W. Jackson, F. A. Raymond, Vahn Mozian, Jun Kobayagawa, Jos. B. Feigel, E. C. Dodd, Fred G. Smith, John G. Hawley, H. L. Perkins, Francis Rotch, Jr., Daniel J. Kaib, Geo. S. Dates, Jr., John M. Hubbard, W. F. Savage, Julian Park, Edward Gowing, Clyde B. Parker, Fred'k Charles, Stanley G. Chilson, H. A. Blackwell, J. A. Galbraith, Warren C. Tudbury, Wm. J. Gardner, S. B. Kauffman, C. G. Weissbrodt, B. O. Komorous, Chas. Dane, Chas. C. Scott, J. M. Maloney, Alvin Good, Jan de Vries, Fred Doughty, A. C. Stewart, J. A. Klemann, Fred'k W. Parker, A. L. Ott, J. E. Rodenhaver, George Marples, C. H. Williams, A. E. Johnson, Fred'k Liebeck, T. C. Mann, S. R. Neumann, C. Edwin Smith, H. A. Davis, B. F. Egan, Herbert Armstrong, Louis Voss, H. S. Powell, John Pfalz, James Guy, Eugene Telfer, P. H. Ward, Jr., P. M. Wolsieffer, John R. Miller.

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2287. Seybold, John F., Syracuse, N. Y.
2678. Doyle, Thos. F., Jersey City, N. J.
3099. Kiefer, Alfred K., Detroit, Mich.
2595. Koch, Adolph, Chicago, Ill.
2623. Wanless, Ernst, San Francisco, Cal.
2161. Heller, Herbert, New Castle, Ind.
3119. Thomas, D. C., Abingdon, Va.
3314. Cheyne, Anthony W., Suffern, N.Y.
167. Lazarus, Paul, Brooklyn, N. Y.
2529. Anthonisz, Geo. C., Ceylon.
2903. Scheckels, Theo F., Washington, D. C.
17. Witt, C., New York, N. Y.

The following money was received by the Secretary during the fiscal year 1909-1910, and remitted by him to the Treasurer:

Month of	*Stock.*	*General.*	*Total.*
September, 1909,	$20.00	$24.60	$44.60
October,	34.00	38.34	72.35
November,	26.00	26.95	52.95
December,	21.00	18.94	39.94
January, 1910,	26.00	18.90	44.90
February,	20.00	14.00	34.00
March,	20.00	12.35	32.35
April,	16.00	9.70	25.70
May,	24.00	9.80	33.80
June,	16.00	9.90	25.90
July,	23.00	3.00	26.00
Advertising in Hand Book, No. 1,		73.00	

The following warrants have been drawn on the Treasurer:

1909.	No.		
Oct.	1.	421—Grace D. Calvin, reporting 24th Con.,	$67.70
	1.	422—H. A. Cameron, bond for Treasurer,	15.00
	1.	423—W. P. Wherry, expense Treas.'s office,	12.75
	1.	424—American Engraving Co., etchings for Hand Book,	5.10
	1.	425—W. H. Barnum, expense Rec. Com.,	——
	1.	426—W. O. Wylie, Adv. in *Stamp Lover,*	6.75
	1.	427—W. O. Wylie, expense Rec. Com., 1909,	11.41
	1.	428—Terry Eng. Co., half tone and etching for quarterly,	9.50
	11.	429—Percival Parrish, salary Sales Supt. to Aug. 31, 1909,	25.00
	11.	430—D. F. Wheless, substitution sales books,	26.63
	11.	431—F. W. Pickard, substitution sales books,	7.03
	11.	432—E. Christiansen, substitution sales books,	1.37
	11.	433—D. F. Wheless, substitution sales books,	3.70
	11.	434—F. W. Pickard, substitution sales books,	9.18
	11.	435—The Hann & Adair Printing Co., stationery, President,	5.30
	11.	436—H. G. Smith, salary as Treas. to Aug. 31, 1909, and postage,	29.78
	15.	437—Edward T. Wallis, refund to refused applicant,	1.00
	15.	438—Chas. R. Morris, expense as member Legislative Com.,	12.00
	15.	439—Paul Mason, expense as member Legislative Com.,	5.00
	15.	440—Arthur G. Burgoyne, stationery, Asst. Librarian,	3.75
Dec.	22.	441—Edward L. Geis, attorney Sanborn case,	25.00
	22.	442—W. P. Wherry, expense as Treas, Oct., 1909,	6.20
	22.	443—W. P. Wherry, expense as Treas., November, 1909,	2.70
	22.	444—W. H. Barnum, expense Chairman Rec. Committee, October,	2.27
	22.	445—Mekeel-Severn-Wylie Co., 6 mo. subs. Sept. 1 to March 1, 1910,	355.57
	22.	446—The Hann & Adair Ptg. Co., circular letters and contracts,	4.25
	22.	447—L. Harald Kjellstedt, postage Sept., Oct., Nov., 1909,	2.59
	22.	448—The Hann & Adair Ptg. Co., stationery Board of Vice Pres.,	4.35
	22.	449—W. S. Aldrich, substitution sales books,	98.72
	22.	450—Dr. H. Collins, substitution sales books,	40.19
	22.	451—A. W. Batchelder, substitution sales bks,	50.72
	22.	452—J. M. Bartels, substitution sales books,	18.41
	22.	453—A. Yaremdji, substitution sales books,	8.65
	22.	454—H. Wesley Legg, substitution sales bks.,	.77
	23.	455—W. H. Barnum, expense Rec. Com., November, 1909,	1.80
	25.	456—H. G. Smith, refund voted by Board of Directors,	7.26
	29.	457—John N. Luff, expense insurance society bonds,	5.00
	29.	458—The Hann & Adair Ptg. Co., envelopes for Secretary,	4.00
Jan.	1.	459—H. S. Adair, Secretary, September, '09,	16.66
	1.	460—H. S. Adair, expense Sec., Aug., '09,	22.74
	1.	461—H. S. Adair, expense Sec., Sept.,	33.24
	1.	462—H. S. Adair, month October, as Sec.,	16.67
	1.	463—H. S. Adair, expense Sec.'s office, October,	28.40
	1.	464—H. Wesley Legg, substitution sales bks.,	.88
	8.	465—F. W. Pickard, substitution sales books,	6.66
	8.	466—E. C. Dodd, substitution sales books,	11.05
	8.	467—Dr. H. Collins, substitution sales books,	.79
	15.	468—W. P. Wherry, expense Treas., Dec., '09,	5.75
	15.	469—Douglass Ptg. Co., stationery, Treas.,	19.25
	15.	470—C. A. Howes, expense Board of Vice Pres., 1908-1909,	20.10
	15.	471—The Jewett Ptg. Co., circular letters & contracts, Hand Book,	3.50
	18.	472—Wm. Linn & Sons, 2500 application blks.,	10.75
	18.	473—The Hann & Adair Ptg. Co., electros of seal,	1.25
Feb.	7.	474—L. Harald Kjellstedt, postage,	2.10
	7.	475—Fred Hagen, substitution sales books,	21.40
	7.	476—B. V. Jenkins, substitution sales books,	2.95
	7.	477—H. S. Adair, Sec., November, 1909,	16.66

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EDITORIAL.

Well Done—The twenty-fifth annual convention of the American Philatelic Society held at Detroit, August 16th to August 18th inclusive, was marked by a large attendance and other qualifications that make a gathering of the kind a satisfactory one; and viewed from almost any angle, the convention was successful. The sessions were most harmonious, a condition that is proved by the absence of a single proxy vote, and at no time was there any display of irritation on the floor. The committees labored intelligently and so nicely balanced their recommendations that there was little left to be done on the floor of the convention. Work of a telling, even if not spectacular nature, was done and though the results as affecting every-day philately do not stand forth prominently, yet the ends achieved will have their influence for the good of philately. The social features of the Detroit convention were most happily planned and fulfilled; and they showed that much attention and expense had been lavished by the Detroit entertainers to please their guests. The hospitality of the city "where life is worth living" was amply demonstrated to the visitors and those who provided the pleasures for the delegates had long heads and long purses, we should say.

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Committees—One of the most interesting reports was that of the Educational Committee, whose work was illustrated by placards on the stage showing the system entering into the distribution of the stamps and leaflets to the boys and girls; the Burroughs' articles in the shape of newspaper clippings from the press throughout the country; and letters from those to whom the committee especially caters. The committee in its report made several suggestions as to work for the future but it was evident that the committee had justified its existence, pursuing its present course, in so pronounced a manner, that even sanguine expectation could not fairly demand better results. The report of the Committee on 25th Anniversary told that tentative plans for holding a stamp exhibit at the Art Institute, Chicago, had been formulated and that it had been decided that a day should be assigned to exercises in honor of the Chicago Philatelic society, which is to observe its twenty-fifth anniversary that falls approximately at this time. The report of the Committee on Hand-Books indicated that the year had not been one of promise unfulfilled as several manuscripts had been received, the most important one of which came *hors concours;* it is planned to publish this manuscript in the style in which the Dr. Chase's study appeared.

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Model—The report of the President was a masterly document and easily it is one of the most illuminating reports that has ever been read from the rostrum in the history of the American Philatelic Society. Mr. Mudge hewed to the line, letting the chips fall where they might but withal, he was dispassionate in all his utterances. It is somewhat significant that all the suggestions that were made in the report of the President were acted upon conformably; in fact, the document almost stands as an epitome of the acts of the convention. In some way or other, it anticipated almost all of the legislation that was passed and it showed a wonderful knowledge of the society in all its workings. Departing from the usual custom, the President confined himself to the affairs of the society alone and made no incursion into the general field. In the preceding issue, the report filled over three pages of the paper but we feel that we should have been remiss in our duty had we not thus early given space to this striking message. The report of the Board of Vice-Presidents was an admirable exposition and the reports of the secretary and treasurer, respectively, engaged close attention. This year the reports of officers have a singular interest and we make provision for them even at the expense of the convention report itself, which will have to lay over until next week. By that time, it is hoped that there will be ample room for the account together with the inevitable convention notes.

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Chicago and Secretary—There was no opposition to the choice of Chicago as the seat of the next convention; the city was selected unanimously after nominating speeches had been made by Messrs. Wolsieffer, president of the Chicago Philatelic Society, Cornwall, Severn, Fowler and others. Different branches recorded their endorsements of Chicago and the motion was carried amid enthusiasm. Mr. Stone bespoke support for Springfield in 1912 and it is understood that Cleveland will be the chief contender for the convention the following year. In this connection Cleveland must be congratulated upon its splendid showing at Detroit; it vied with Chicago in its numerical strength and the personnel of its delegates was a subject for flattering remark. It is needless to say that the Cleveland delegation was elated over the success of its candidate for the secretaryship, Mr. Barnum, who was fortunate enough to be returned victor over Mr. Morris by a plurality of one vote, although Mr. Morris was the first in the rush to congratulate Mr. Barnum.

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Unjust—There was one piece of legislation enacted that was utterly reprehensible in our estimation and that was the resolution authorizing the secretary to furnish all other papers who may request the service the official matter at the same time that it is sent to the WEEKLY. Even though the WEEKLY is designated and remains as the official journal, yet it is possible under the new order for a publication other than the WEEKLY, should its date of issue be nicely timed to do so, to anticipate our presentation of official matter. The resolution was submitted without recommendation and was carried; but it happened that the WEEKLY representative was busied with his writing at the time and so, caught napping, he could not enter his protest at the time. When a motion was made at a later session for a reconsideration of the question, it was overwhelmingly defeated. Even though the WEEKLY man had recorded his opposition at the proper time, it is unlikely that the result would have been different. We try to view this act of the convention in a disinterested way but we must say that our sense of fairness would have led us to have objected to any curtailment of the advantages legitimately gained had a rival publication been chosen by vote of the members as official journal.

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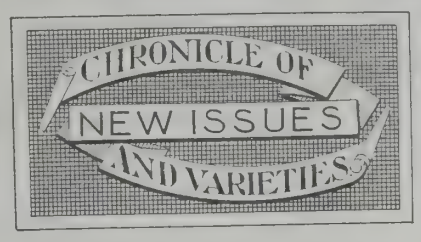

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United States.—Leroy H. Brooks sends us specimens of the current 1c stamp, one of which has a spot, a very small spot, on the nose, which Mr. Brooks thinks is worthy of note as a variety.

Clarence Hill Burrage reports having seen Scott's No. 272 in reddish brown instead of Puce.

J. Arthur Wainwright reports having found a St. Paul precancelled stamp perforated "U R M C."

Geo. S. Chapman sends us a Chicago precancelled 1c stamp used over a paid permit, with machine perforation.

Arthur Blakey reports having found the current 2c envelope on white paper, with the upper left part of the second "T" of "States" missing; also the same envelopes with a distinct cap on the tail of the left "2," and occasionally an indistinct cap on the right "2" as well.

Theo. Richards shows us a freak,—the 1903 2c stamp with 27½ mm. between the horizontal perforations instead of the 25 mm. of the normal stamps.

H. F. Metz also sends us some freaks in perforation of the current 2c stamps, the paper being 21x26 mm. in each case, instead of the 20½x25 mm. of the normal.

Austria.—In several recent numbers we have referred to the proposed issue to commemorate the 80th birthday of the Emperor Francis Joseph. *Ewen's Weekly* gives the following as the latest regarding the issue, which differs materially from previous statements:

Instead of overprinting the Jubilee set to celebrate the Emperor's 80th birthday, the plates have been spaced out so as to leave room for printing the dates "1830" and "1910" above and below the stamps respectively. The plates as altered print 80 instead of 100 stamps to the sheet.

According to the *Reichsgesetzblatt* the first issue of the stamps is to take place on August 18, 1910 and they will remain on sale until exhausted or until December 31, 1910.

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50, 60h, 1kr,	70,000
2, 5kr,	17,000
10kr,	10,000

The ridiculously small quantities printed of the 1, 2 and 3h will probably lead to these values being bought up on the first day of issue.

Australia.—The current 5d postage due stamp, watermarked Crown and N S W, is noted by the *Australian Philatelist* with a new perforation, 11½x11, and the opinion is expressed by that journal that the stamp was printed several years back, but only recently perforated.

Azores.—William Ward informs the *Postage Stamp* that the bird pictured on the new stamps is neither a gull nor a hawk, not yet a frigate-bird but a petrel.

British Guiana.—*Gibbons Weekly* reports having seen the current 2c, which has the value tablet and "postage & revenue" in a rather deeper shade than that of the body of the stamp. A correspondent places the date of this shade as some time during 1908; but we are rather inclined to think it is an earlier printing than the stamp which shows no variation of shade, since *Ewen's Weekly Stamp News* mentions that there is some variation in the size of the words "postage & revenue" on many of the current values, and that those recently received have these words smaller and thinner.

Chile.—Supplementing the *Postage Stamp's* article on Chile in No. 1020, Philip Wolff sends us two interesting items from the July number of the *Tarapaca Filatelico:*

Supplementing our information of the last number, our correspondent in Santiago tells us that Don Hugo Hahn has promised the Government that by the middle of August will commence the impression of the stamps of 20 centavos corresponding to the first issue which circulated in Chile, in conformity to the decree which authorized the said gentleman to make the new impression. Senor Hahn has already got the original printing plate in London and the printing will be done in the splendid workshops of the Imprenta del Universo in the presence of a fiscal employe, probably from the Treasury Department. He will exact the destruction of all specimens, surplus sheets, and spoiled sheets; once the work is done he will swear to everything before a notary. According to the decree the original printing plate of the 20 centavos will be sent to the Museo Nacional. The stamps will be printed in the same colors as the originals had, and on paper watermarked star, and in the following proportion:

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In a few days there will be put in circulation postage stamps issued for the postal service in the penal colony of the Isla de Juan Fernandez. In our next number we shall give photographs of these new stamps.

The Valparaiso U. S. Consul wrote under date July 9 that the two new Chilean issues would not be out for a month yet.

COLOMBIA.—We are indebted to the C. E. Hussman Stamp Co. for used specimens of the new 1c postage and 10c Registration stamps chronicled in No. 1025.

CUBA.—Regarding Mr. Stark's find of a supposed identifying mark on the 3c Cuba stamp, Miss Amy L. Swift writes:

"I think Mr. Stark has not found the real identifying mark of the re-engraved 3c Cuba. Mr. Roessler promises to illustrate it by a cut in his October *Stamp News*, but meanwhile has told me enough to make me doubt Mr. Stark's find, as there are said to be two differences close together, and hardly in the portion of the stamp Mr. Stark mentions. I found a difference in the right numeral 3. In the original the outer curve has a faint tinge of color shading, a tiny short line of purple in both upper and lower curves, while in the re-engraved the numeral is solid white, but as Mr. Roessler says that is not the sign manual, it is doubtless a sign of wear. The one I call original is beyond doubt the first printing, as I bought it unused when first issued, and have had it ever since."

FINLAND.—A correspondent of the *London Philatelist* states that special stamps are being printed for internal use in Finland and will be issued on January 1st, 1911. The designs will be the same as those of the current Russian issue, but the values will be expressed in Finnish currency. Foreign correspondence will, as heretofore, be franked exclusively with contemporary Russian postage stamps.

GREAT BRITAIN.—*Ewen's Weekly* says: "Collectors should look out during the next few months for possible errors of the current issue. The reserve stock had evidently been allowed to run down very low in the expectation that the new issue would be made—some of our continental contemporaries speak of new ½d and 1d stamps as well as a new 2d magenta—and as the issue of the latter has had to be postponed (we hope not cancelled altogether), a fresh stock of the old stamps has had to be created in a hurry and defects, never before seen in De La Rue printed stamps, are making their appearance.

"Mr. H. G. Watson writes:

"'I am sending you a corner block of the current 1d Great Britain which may be of interest.

"'It is such a rare thing to find the stamps on a sheet of Great Britain stamps out of alignment that, on buying the sheet at the Post Office last week, the peculiarity in this corner struck me at once. The three lowest stamps of the twelfth vertical row are about ½ mm. lower than the stamps on their left, and this wrong alignment is also to be seen in the border line. It strikes me as being a peculiar thing to find just these three stamps and no more placed like this in the sheet.'

"Mr. E. Bentley Wood writes:

"'The new shade of 2d shows evidence of very hurried or careless production. I have seen two sheets which are very much off register, an unusual thing with our home issues.

"'In the first, of which I have the top two rows 7 to 12, there is a distinct rise of the rose portion from right to left, the left-hand stamp (No. 7) showing the duty plate slightly overlapping the green. If this were continued to the extreme end (No. 1) it must have touched the tip of the King's neck, but unfortunately I did not see that half.

"'In the second example, of which I have only one detached stamp from another sheet, the rose tablet is close to the left-hand side, leaving a broad white margin on the right.

"'Have other instances been brought to your notice?

"'Will there be any 'inverted centres' or tete beches? The 1d red is appearing in a much deeper shade of red at some post offices.'

Ewen's Weekly also says:

"The idea seems to be prevalent in official circles, both in England and elsewhere, that it is disrespectful to King George to issue new stamps bearing the portrait of King Edward VII. It would certainly be disrespectful to *initiate* the creation of such new stamps, but where such are already printed or in course of printing, to destroy them means considerable waste of public money; and we imagine that if His Majesty were appealed to, he would not desire that respect for himself should take that form.

"The rational course on the demise of a sovereign would seem to consist in taking immediate steps to provide a new issue and in the meantime to continue according to the provision already made. After all, any changes such as the new 2d design recently provided for Great Britain have probably received the sanction or approval of the late sovereign and to confiscate them the moment he is gone seems a rather abrupt action."

HUNGARY.—The *Illustriertes Briefmarken Zeitung* reports that the 6f and 20f postage due stamps have been issued on paper with the latest watermark.

LUXEMBURG.—*The Philatelic Journal of Great Britain* is informed by Mr. W. B. Edwards that he has discovered the 1 franc of 1891-6 perforated 11 all round.

MONTENEGRO.—To celebrate the 50th year of the reign of Prince Nicholas and also the change from principality to kingdom, a new set of stamps is being prepared at Vienna. *L'Echo* states that it will consist of 200,000 sets, each of 12 values. Professor Schobaitsch is said to be responsible for the designs.

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NORWAY.—According to the *Nederlandsch Tijdschrift voor Postzegelkunde* the 3, 5, and 30 öre values of the current series are now being printed from a re-engraved plate in which the "o" of NORGE is different and the posthorn more open.

PARAGUAY.—We are indebted to the C. E. Hussman Stamp Co. for used specimens of the new 75c stamp.

PHILIPPINES.—Clarence Hill Burrage reports having a copy of the 1c 1903 Philippines, No. 226, with a part of the H of Philippines missing, and a copy of the 2c 1903, No. 240, on which the right-hand branch of the N of Philippines does not come down quite far enough.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.—The *Australian Philatelist* says: "A specialist has demonstrated the existence of two types of the current 2sh 6d stamps, i. e., two settings of the value. In Type 1 the 'E' of 'SIXPENCE' has a long horizontal stroke at bottom, and all the 'N's' are narrow. In Type 2 (last printing) the 'S' of 'SIXPENCE' has a flattened bottom, and the top horizontal stroke of the last 'E' points upwards, and all the 'N's' are wide."

SWEDEN.—*Ewen's Weekly* says that the plates prepared for the new postage stamps have not been approved by the postal authorities, and an order for a new set has been placed in Vienna, so that there is likely to be a further delay in the appearance of the remaining values of the new series.

TURKEY.—On authority of Mr. W. B. Edwards, the *Philatelic Journal of Great Britain* records two new perforation varieties of this country, viz., the 5 piastres of 1905 perf. 13½ and the 10 piastres of 1908 perf. 12.

URUGUAY.—Philip Wolff sends us two interesting items from the *Uruguay Postal*, one of the few philatelic journals of South America:

"The general administration of posts has put in circulation in Montevideo booklets composed of 30 stamps each, of the following values—5 milesimos, 1, 2, 5, 8, and 20 centesimos. The emission of the first lot is small; having been made as a sort of an essay. We understand that these booklets have been issued by the European postal departments, having had favorable reception.

"The 6th of May we received from our ex-Rep. general, Sr. R. Almendro, a telegram from Buenos Aires which we copy as follows: This moment I have just gone over to the general and branch post offices of this city and in none of them could they provide me with the 4 centavos (Centenary) stamp which represents the fort and house of the viceroys. In the window of a cigar store in Calle Reconquista there exists an almost complete sheet with a card which says 'exhausted' (meaning the stamps). For the moment the said stamp is selling at 3 francs a copy in the city."

Mr. Wolff thinks Uruguay is the only South American country to issue stamp booklets, but asks our readers if any other American country issues them, and, if so, what are their denominations and prices.

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1442	10.00	3.97
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	7.	478—H. S. Adair, expense office Secretary, November, '09,	11.10
	7.	479—W. P. Wherry, expense Treas.'s office,	17.73
	7.	480—Douglas Ptg. Co., stationery for Treas.,	3.75
	7.	481—Walter L. Brown, refund to refused applicant,	2.10
Mch.	14.	482—L. H. Kjellstedt, postage Dec., Jan., Feb.,	1.38
	14.	483—L. Harald Kjellstedt, sub. to V. K. B.,	8.64
	14.	484—W. H. Barnum, Chm. Rec. Com., Dec. 1 to March 5,	35.90
	14.	485—F. W. Tessier, substitution sales books,	.66
	14.	486—E. Christiansen, substitution sales books,	1.00
	14.	487—H. D. Watson, substitution sales books,	1.10
	14.	488—E. Tamsen, substitution sales books,	.66
	14.	489—Percival Parrish, substitution sales bks.,	6.57
	14.	490—H. S. Adair, editor, deposit P. O. on No. 1 Quarterly,	71.90
	14.	491—L. Harald Kjellstedt, Sub. to Phil. Lit. Soc.,	5.00
May	1.	492—Mekeel-Severn-Wylie Co., Sub. to WEEKLY to Sept. 1, 1910,	377.85
	1.	493—The Hann & Adair Ptg. Co., printing Hand Book,	101.18
	7.	494—The Foote & Davies Co., 1250 stock certificates,	52.50
July	1.	495—H. S. Adair, as Sec. December, 1909,	16.66
	1.	496—H. S. Adair, expense office, Dec., '09,	7.42
	1.	497—H. S. Adair, as Sec., January, 1910,	16.67
	1.	498—H. S. Adair, expense office Secretary, January, 1910,	5.60
	1.	499—H. S. Adair, as Secretary, February,	16.66
	1.	500—H. S. Adair, expense office Sec., Feb.,	8.76
	1.	501—H. S. Adair, as Secretary, March,	16.67
	1.	502—H. S. Adair, expense office of Secretary, March,	7.28
	1.	503—H. S. Adair, expense office of Secretary, April,	5.43
	6.	504—H. M. Clark, Treas. Educational Com.,	50.00
	6.	505—L. H. Kjellstedt, postage, March, April and May,	2.10
	6.	506—W. H. Barnum, expense Rec. Com., May,	6.49
	6.	507—W. P. Wherry, Treas., exp. Treas.'s office,	8.05
	6.	508—H. S. Adair, as Secretary, April,	16.66
	6.	509—H. S. Adair, expense office Sec., May,	8.40
	6.	510—H. S. Adair, as Secretary, May,	16.67
	6.	511—H. S. Adair, expense office of Secretary, June,	7.66
	6.	512—H. S. Adair, as Secretary, June,	16.66
	9.	513—W. H. Barnum, expense Chmn., Rec. Com., April,	8.40
	12.	514—Postmaster Cols.,	

		Ohio, stamped Envs. for ballots,	42.48
	20.	515—H. W. Krumm, Postmaster, deposit on No. 2 of Quarterly,	60.00
Aug.	1.	516—D. F. Wheless, substitution sales books,	9.14
	1.	517—D. F. Wheless, substitution sales books,	5.52
	1.	518—E. C. Dodd, substitution sales books,	3.08
	1.	519—Herbert Clark, substitution sales books,	3.80
	1.	520—A. W. Batchelder, substitution sales bks.,	1.50
	1.	521—B. V. Jenkins, substitution sales books,	3.50
	1.	522—N. W. Chandler, substitution sales bks.,	2.19
	1.	523—W. P. Wherry, salary to Aug. 31, '10,	25.00
	1.	524—W. H. Bruce, substitution sales books,	.60
	1.	525—H. S. Adair, as Secretary, July,	16.66
	1.	526—H. S. Adair, expense office Secretary, July,	9.10
	1.	527—W. H. Barnum, April, Exp. Chmn. Rec. Com., Dup. of No. 513,	8.40
	10.	528—The Hann & Adair Ptg. Co., supplies for Sec.'s office,	5.70
	10.	529—The Hann & Adair Ptg. Co., ballots, proxies, etc., 1909,	35.75
	10.	530—The Hann & Adair Ptg. Co., ballots, special mail vote, '09,	13.19
	10.	531—The Hann & Adair Ptg. Co., Envs. for Hand Books,	6.10
	10.	532—The Hann & Adair Ptg. Co., Membership Cards, 1910,	18.00
	10.	533—The Hann & Adair Ptg. Co., stencils for mail list,	4.23
	10.	534—The Hann & Adair Ptg. Co., 2200 copies No. 1 Quarterly,	292.04
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	10.	537—W. M. Linn & Sons Co., supplies Secretary's office,	3.50
	10.	538—W. M. Linn & Sons Co., ballots, proxies, envelopes, etc.,	27.00

The Secretary desires to thank his brother officers for their courtesy and the members at large for their kind forbearance. It is highly gratifying to him to know that he has made such friends in the Society as have been of the utmost assistance to him in his hours of trouble. Thanks are particularly due to two or three members who have sacrificed their time in order to be of assistance to him in his time of need. He will leave this office with kind wishes toward all and the hope that it may never again get a Secretary who will undergo during his term of office that which has been undergone by the present incumbent.

Respectfully submitted,
H. S. ADAIR, Sec.

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C. B. Duffy, Columbus, was at Detroit but could not attend the convention sessions.

Messrs. Cornwall, Farnham, Legg, Whitaker (Chicago), Stewart, Crowell, Hopkins, Kissinger and Galbraith were accompanied by their wives. E. T. Parker's daughter, Miss Helen, was in attendance with her father.

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	Azores 1895, *5 to 100r, o. g	..	.75
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	Iceland *2s, No. 1, o. g	3.25	1.40
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	No Nigeria *1sh, o. g	3.50	1 50
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	*6d carmine, V. R. I., o. g., fine	7.50	3.50
	Panama *5, 20 and 50c, 1, 3, 4	10.00	3.85
	Persia 1902, 50kr green	2.00	1.00
	Peru 1894, *1s ultra., No. 128, o. g	10.00	4.00
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New Member: A. F. Koch, "Weltevreden", Colpetty, Ceylon.

The public stamp bourse, which is conducted on the same lines as the noted Stamp Bourse in Paris, is now in full swing and bids fair to become *the one public market* for stamps in New York City. Bring those duplicates and let the other members look at them. The fee for buying or selling is *nothing*, for either members or non-members. The next meeting will be held on *Friday*, Sept. 2nd, instead of Thursday, Sept. 1st, and the following meeting, Thursday, Sept. 15th, will have for its chief attraction a competitive exhibition of the Philippine Islands. An exhibition of Hawaii has been announced for December 15th.

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The activity of our Association has been rather quiet since last report. However, we have secured eleven new members, which is not so bad considering the small number of our general membership. Out of these 11 new members, one is due to the efforts of our President, Ed. W. Heusinger, one was secured by Chas. Roemer, Trustee, and the nine others by the Secretary. Circulars and copies of the Special Texas Number of MEKEEL'S WEEKLY have been sent all over.

The financial position of the Texas Philatelic Association is good, the general account showing a balance of $55.40, the Insurance fund showing a balance of $111.86.

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1870, 12kr lilac (No. 29), very fine copy of this scarce stamp, well cen.	7.50	4.50
Belgium 1875, 5fr pale brown, a very fine copy of this rare stamp	7.50	5.00
Brazil (Nos. 1 & 2), fine copies, both	5.00	2.40
(No. 3), rather close	12.00	4.00
Greece 1896, from 1L to 10dr compl., unused, mint (Face $3.92)	7.83	4.32
SPECIAL BARGAINS IN CHEAPER STAMPS		
***Abyssinia** 1896, 4, 8, 16g	.60	.18
* 1909, ½g salmon (No. 134)	?	.05
Austria 1900, **Unpaid**, 100 heller br'n	.08	.02½
Argentine 1901, **Official**, 1, 5, 10, 30	.38	.13
Bavaria 1908, " 5, 10, 20pf	.10	.01½
Belgium P. P. 1902, 1fr 10c, 2fr & 3fr	.27	.08
China, Temple of Heaven, 2, 3, 7c unused, mint or canc	.30	.15
1898, 10c dark blue green	.06	.01¼
***Costa Rica** 1892, 5c red lilac, mint (No. 37a)	.08	.01½
1890, **Granacaste**, 5c or'nge (No. 439)	1.00	.20
***Curacao** 1873, 50c violet, unused, fine and cheap	.35	.12
1889, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 5c, complete	.20	.05
* 1899, 25c carmine and blue, mint	.10	.03½
1895, 2½ on 30c gray	.40	.18
* 1895, 2½ on 10c blue, red surcharge	.60	.24
Danish West Indies 1905, 5b on 4c, 5 on 5c, and 5 on 8c; the set used & *	.60	.30
Dutch Indies 1902 to 1906, 10, 12½, 15, 25, 30, 50c and the 20c olive (No. 54), a beautiful little set of 7 scarce values in fine condition	.28	.12
***Ecuador** 1909, **Jubilee Issue**, 1, 3, 5, 10, 20, 50c and the 1 & 5 sucres, complete, unused, without gum	7.38	1.25
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" 40c brown (S. G. No. 624)	2.50	.15
" 10 on 20c verm. (S. G. No. 626)	1.00	.06
* " 10c on 1c slate, red surcharge (S. G. No. 901)	1.85	.15
* " 20c on 2c lake, blue surcharge (S. G. No. 902)	1.85	.15
* " 1c slate green (S. G. No. 903)	.36	.06
* " 2c lake, mint (S. G. No. 904)	.36	.06
***India, Nowanugger**, 1893, 3d orange	.35	.07½
* **Rajpeepla**, 4a red	1.25	.15
* **Soruth**, 1877, 1a green	.08	.02½
Nicaragua '07, 35c on 1c blue, red sur.	?	.03
Panama 1892, 10c yellow	.06	.02
1892, 20c violet	.18	.04½
* " 50c bistre brown	.75	.19
" 50c " used	.50	.12½
***Persia** 1899, from 1c to 50kr complete, beautiful unused set	3.42	1.30
1906, 1c to 13c complete	.46	.12
* 1902, **Service**, from 1c to 12c, mint	.37	.08
***Peru** 1874, **Unpaid**, 5c vermilion, mint	.10	.03
Philippine 1881, 2r on 2 4-8c blue (No. 94), small hole punched, cheap space filler	.75	[illegible]
1881, 1r on 5c blue, small hole punched, good space filler	.60	.10
***Seychelles** 1903, 3c on 45c brown and carmine, mint, fine	.20	.08
Tunis 1906, P. P. stamps, beauties, the 20, 25, 50c and 1fr	.21	.06
Turkey 1884, 2pi ochre	.15	.03½
***Venezuela** 1903, 5, 10, 25, 1b Guayana, and the 5c pink & 10c blue Maturin, 6 var	.77	.10
* 1902, 50c yellow green (S. G. No. 278), mint	.12	.02
Victoria 1891, 2½ & 5p; 1897, 2½p blue, & 1901, ½, 3, 5p, 6 good values	.26	.08

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These stamps show variations that will please a specialist in the stamps of this favorite country. In the first place, the watermark appears in four positions (as the stamp is turned over on the left edge):

(a) Normal.
(b) Reversed.
(c) Inverted.
(d) Inverted and reversed.

There are at least six and possibly more shades. I have been trying to ascertain whether there is any uniformity as to shades, positions of watermarks and dates. The only general conclusions I can arrive at are:

(1) The very dark blue shade seems to belong to the later printings (being postmarked 1870 and thereabouts), and it occurs only on the stamps watermarked with the upright figure two.

(2) The very pale blue shades seem to belong to the earlier printings (being postmarked 1868 and thereabouts), and occur only on the stamps with inverted watermark.

(3) The stamps with the inverted watermark in either position are much less common than those with the watermark normal, and they present fewer variations in color, being mostly light shades.

(4) Postm'k'd date 1867, wmks. mostly inv.
" 1868, " "
" 1869, " all upright.
" 1870, " "
" 1871, " "

I shall be interested to know if any of your readers can add to these conclusions. I have a larger number of duplicates of this stamp, and I will be glad to send them to anyone who is interested as a specialist and would like to pick them over.

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Cat. No.		Cat. Price.	Our Pr.
10	St. Christopher 1d, penmark'd	$0.50	$0.15
19	St. Lucia ½d, surcharged, mint	.60	.25
48	Turks Island 1887, 6d, "	.40	.20
49a	" " 1sh, "	.75	.35
52	" 1893, 2½d, "	.18	.10
14	Virgin Islands 1883, 1d, "	1.25	.40
506	U. S. Agriculture 15c, "	3.50	1.50
518	" Interior 10c, "	.50	.25
524	" Justice 1c, "	1.50	.85
536	" Navy 3c, used	.25	.12
537	" " 6c, "	.40	.18
546	" Post Office 1c, new	.40	.18
556	" State 1c, mint	2.50	1.00
558	" " 3c, "	1.00	.40
561	" " 10c, "	3.00	1.00
563	" " 15c, "	4.50	1.50
802	Eagle Carrier, new	1.00	.40
18	Newfoundland 4d lake, mint	1.00	.40
151a	Mexico 1884, 2c imperf. pair	..	1.50
577	U. S. Treasury 12c, new	.50	.18
578	" " 15c, "	.50	.20
581	" " 90c, "	2.00	.65
2811	" Rev. 2c Pl. Cards, orange	.50	.20
2816	" " 3c "	6.00	2.75
3032a	" " 1898, 10c imperf. horizontally, mint	1.50	.50
589	" War 15c, mint	.35	.20
590	" " 24c, "	.35	.20
592	" " 90c, "	1.00	.40
595	" Agriculture 3c, used	.50	.15
620	" Treasury 3c, mint	.50	.15
1052	" Periodical 1c, "	.25	.10
3273	" Trenton Match 1c blue	.25	.10
3301	" Demas Barnes 4c blue	.20	.10
1431	" Envelope 1874, 2c Die B, amber, used	.60	.25
207	Confederate 2c, mint	.25	.15

We are still filling orders from the Bogert & Durbin Co.'s price lists at the old prices and to those who will spend $25.00 or more at one time we will give extra inducements.

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10c " 62 T, $1.25; B, $1; L & R, " "	.85
10c " 63 T, $1.00 B, L and R, " "	.85
10c " 64 T & L, ea. $1.00; B & R, " "	.85
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CONVENTION SUMMARY.

The convention was in session at 10.45 a. m., August 16th, in the beautiful lecture hall of the Detroit Museum of Arts, Jefferson Avenue. When General Coolidge of Detroit began his speech of welcome, there were about seventy-five present but the number was constantly augmented and soon over one hundred persons were counted. In the absence of the mayor who was absent from the city, Acting Mayor Heineman, a brother to S. E. Heineman of the Detroit society, addressed the meeting and in a clever manner he extolled philately but made some humorous hits at the expense of certain local members that were much relished by the audience. A letter of regret was read from the Postmaster-General that no representative of the government could be present on this occasion but it was said that at the succeeding meeting it was probable that an officer would attend.

Hon. Homer Warren, postmaster of Detroit and honorary member of the local society combined wit and wisdom in an eloquent address; and then, Mr. Griffith, director of the Museum of Art, presented the freedom of the hall. General Coolidge made a special request that the members give attention to a few words from Mr. Wolsieffer, who mounting the stage, presented the unsuspecting president, Mr. Mudge, with a gavel, beautifully banded with silver and bearing the inscription: "Presented to H. N. Mudge, President of the American Philatelic Society by Chicago friends, Detroit, Aug. 16-18, 1910." A telegram from E. Doeblin was received with cheers. In the chair, Mr. Mudge called for the report of the credentials committee, which read as follows:

Whole number of ballots received, 758.

Whole number of ballots approved, 748.

Votes for Directors as follows:
H. N. Mudge, 730
Dr. W. P. Wherry, 719
L. Harald Kjellstedt, 716
Henry J. Crocker, 713
Fred'k R. Cornwall, 713
Chas. A. Coolidge, 708
Chester Myers, 702
Adalbert Strauss, 699
W. H. Barnum, 387
Chas. R. Morris, 386
Scattering, 11
Rejected, 10

Total number of proxies received, 550; rejected, 26.

Mr. Mudge then read his report as president; it was listened to attentively and excited much enthusiasm. Such recommendations as were made by the president in his document were referred to various committees which were appointed as follows:

Finance: W. G. Saxton, Chairman, Iver R. Johnson, Chas. R. Morris.

Library: Geo. W. Linn, Chairman, E. L. Fisher, Percy McG. Mann.

Sales Department: E. T. Parker, Chairman, C. W. Kissinger, S. B. Hopkins.

Branch Societies: Gen. C. A. Coolidge, Chairman, Paul Mason, H. M. Clark.

Resolutions: F. R. Cornwall, Chairman, E. M. Carpenter, Alvin Good.

Next Convention: Henry Ades Fowler, Chairman, W. H. Barnum, Howard C. Beck.

By Laws: H. N. Mudge (ex-officio), W. C. Stone, Dr. W. P. Wherry, Chester Myers, L. G. Quackenbush.

The afternoon session and that of the morning of the succeeding day, Wednesday were devoted to the reports of officers and committees. The session of Wednesday afternoon was held on the boat Sapho, on the return from the far-famed flats of Lake St. Clair. The Resolutions Committee reported on different subjects which will be detailed in their report. A committee is to be appointed to make a proposal to the American Numismatic Association that the convention of that body be held at approximately the same time next year as that of the American Philatelic Society. In all likelihood, Chicago will be chosen by the numismatic society as the seat of its next convention.

As the reports that demand space in the WEEKLY are so voluminous, it will be necessary to dismiss the purely convention aspect for the time being. It may be promised that all transactions that are not covered by the reports as published and editorial comment made thus far will be considered in the next issue; and publication of the personals is delayed a week, in consequence of the press on our columns.

New Check List of 20th Century Colonials

We take pleasure in announcing the **fifth** edition of this useful publication. The other editions proved so wonderfully popular that we have again brought the check list up to date, viz.: June 12th, 1910, showing many important changes in price.

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50 blank approval sheets, 10c; a 100	.19
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5000 hinges, 30c; 10,000	.40
1000 imported, 12c; 5000	.50
10 diff. foreign coins, 15c; 20 diff	.25
100 " " nice lot	2.00
10 Paraguay 1c stamps asst	.05
10 Egypt, Camel, 1M	.10

Dealers write for 50-page Wholesale List.
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Fall Sales
will soon be started. My entire Card Index has been revised and I have removed the cards of over 800 buyers who have not been active for a year or more.

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SPECIAL — Dominican Republic 1880, 1 peso gold, unused, cat. 75c, for only..... .25
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A. P. S. ANNUAL REPORTS.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Stock Fund.

Receipts		
In March,	$ 97.00	
In July,	126.00	
In August,	23.00	
		$246.00
Disbursements		
Voucher No. 437, E. T. Wallis,	1.00	
Voucher No. 481, W. L. Brown,	1.00	
		2.00
Balance,		$244.00
Bal. forwarded,		3,354.66
Net Balance,		$3,598.66

General Fund.

Receipts		
Dues, Sept.,	$ 87.60	
Oct.,	164.00	
Nov.,	63.10	
Dec.,	353.50	
Jan.,	670.68	
Feb.,	239.92	
Mar.,	136.72	
Apr.,	13.82	
May,	7.20	
June,	8.40	
July,	267.45	
Aug.,	15.80	
		$2,028.19
From Misc. items		
Int. on bonds,	$100.00	
Adv. in Hand Book No. 1,	84.00	
Adv. in Quarterly No. 1,	72.50	
		$256.50
Total receipts,		$2,284.69
Disbursements		
By vouchers,		$2,581.68
Balance deficit,		$296.99
Bal. forwarded deficit,		435.98
Net deficit,		$732.97

Insurance Fund.

Receipts,	$393.01	
Disbursements,	373.42	
Balance,	$ 19.59	
Bal. forwarded,	1,411.38	
Net balance,		$1,430.97

Exchange Fund.

Receipts,	$ 8.65	
Balance forwarded,	45.60	
Net balance,		$54.25

Summary of Balances.

Stock Fund,	$3,598.66	
Insurance Fund,	1,430.97	
Exchange Fund,	54.25	
		$5,083.88
Less General Fund deficit,		732.97
Net total balance,		$4,350.91

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For the next 30 days I will give the 1c and 2c Cuban Envelope, Scott's Nos. 502 and 508, entire, post office state, listing 20 and 25c each, to all customers who buy $1.00 worth of stamps from my 1910 price list or from advertisements.

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1905 yellow brown, no wmk., perf. 12, rare, o. g., perfect $1.50
1907 " wmk., rouletted, " " ..... .15
1907 blue Canal Zone, official seal ..... .15

APPROVAL SELECTIONS

I have a fine lot of Foreign Stamps made up in books which I will send on approval to collectors for 50% of catalogue. The stamps are in fine condition and no trash. Parties not known must furnish commercial references. My 1910 List is yours for the asking.

H. F. COLMAN,
723 ELEVENTH ST., N. W., WASHINGTON, D. C.

Resources.		
Bonds (face $2500.00) Net,		$2,612.34
Cash in Bank,	$2,449.04	
Cash in hand,	40.19	
	$2,489.23	
Less vouchers issued but not cashed,	750.66	
		$1,738.57
		$4,350.91

In conclusion I will say that although the deficit in the General Fund amounts to $732.97, still were we able to include the moneys due from advertising the last two issues of the Quarterly, which, as yet, remains to be collected together with the rebate due from deposit made and returnable at Columbus, all amounting to approximately $250.00, the remaining deficit would be practically that of last year.

W. P. WHERRY, Treas.

REPORT OF SALES SUPERINTENDENT.

PHILA., July 1, 1910.

To the Board of Vice Presidents, American Philatelic Society,

Gentlemen:—I have the honor to tender herewith my annual report of the Sales Department for the year ending July 1, 1910.

The total sales for the year have amounted to $8,729.00. Remittances have been received by months as follows:

Cash rec'd in July, 1909,	$903.87
" " Aug.,	573.70
" " Sept.,	615.27
" " Oct.,	526.90
" " Nov.,	632.14
" " Dec.,	547.44
" " Jan., 1910,	777.89
" " Feb.,	825.25
" " March,	696.64
" " April,	852.10
" " May,	755.80
" " June,	1,022.00
Total,	$8,729.00

The branch system has been progressing very satisfactorily. The total sales for the year from the Branches have amounted to $4,771.65. These Branch Managers have been compensated for their work by a commission of 2½% on the sales made through their respective Branches, said commission to come out of the general commission paid the Sales Superintendent. In addition to the above cash compensation, the Superintendent offered prizes in stamps for the four best results: 1st, $10, 2nd, $5, 3rd, $3, 4th, $2; Scott's catalogue value according to wantlist of the 19th Century. It has been a great pleasure to award the prizes as follows:

1st	John W. Haseltine of Philadelphia,	$1,249.22
2nd	Don R. Bennett of Detroit,	777.35
3rd	Chas. R. Morris of Washington,	666.79
4th	L. A. VanToor of Milwaukee,	352.92

In paying the cash commission to the Branch Managers, a minimum of $200 for the year's work was set so that a man undertaking the work would be more apt to continue seriously if there was some sort of minimum amount required. It was also thought that competitive interest would be stimulated by additional prizes in stamps.

The results secured by the Branch Managers during the year ending June 30, 1910 have been as follows:

(1)	J. W. Haseltine, Philadelphia, Pa.,	$1,249.22
(2)	Don R. Bennett, Detroit, Mich.,	777.35
(3)	Chas. R. Morris, Washington, D.C.,	666.79
(4)	L. A. Van Toor, Milwaukee, Wis.,	352.92
(5)	J. F. Rust & H. C. Crowell, Cleveland, O.,	278.21
(6)	W. C. Emery, Springfield, Mass.,	252.82
(7)	T. C. Mann, St. Louis, Mo.,	252.36
(8)	Theo. Siddall, Manila, P. I.,	172.56
(9)	Geo. B. Graham, Buffalo, N. Y.,	152.21
(10)	A. W. Dunning & J. H. Lyons, Boston, Mass.,	133.18
(11)	Ross O'Shaughnessy, San Francisco, Cal.,	124.30
(12)	Geo. W. Linn, Columbus, O.,	98.76
(13)	W. O. Staab, Milwaukee, Wis.,	71.21
(14)	Max Wenzel, Pittsburg, Pa.,	56.74
(15)	Fred Doughty, Saginaw, Mich.,	53.70
(16)	E. J. Crawford, Fresno, Cal.,	40.31
(17)	Harrie Mueller, Wichita, Kan.,	39.01
Total,		$4,771.65

There is one matter which has given the Department serious trouble during the year. That is the delay on the part of a few Branch Managers and of certain other members in retaining circuits beyond the time allowed for their retention by the rules of the society. It is very clearly set forth that circuits shall be kept not over three days by members on individual circuit. The limit set for Branches has been sixty days, which is certainly a long enough time to admit of thorough circulation among members in a certain city or district. The retention of circuits over the time causes the Department the greatest inconvenience in many ways. Members count upon receiving circuits at stated times and are constantly disappointed by those preceding them who fail to consider the rights of others. Then again, we are sometimes unable to retire the books of members calling for same due to this lack of consideration on the part of the derelicts. In such cases, the Department is subjected to severe criticism for matters over which we have no control. However, when everything is considered, we believe the operation of the Sales Department is quite satisfactory. At this juncture, we wish to voice our thanks to the Board of Vice Presidents for their thoughtful administration pertaining to Sales Department matters. They seem ever willing to help with advice and action. All of our communications receive attention at the systematic meetings of this board. Long may they live.

We have upon several occasions before called attention to the great necessity when filing new books with the Superintendent for circulation in the Department of having the catalogue number and value of each stamp given, as well as the net selling prices. Many of the members buying from circuits are busy men and if this information is given, they will make good purchases, whereas if it is lacking, they will frequently pass the stamps with only a cursory examination.

Defective stamps should not be placed in the Department at any price, as they are always objected to on the ground that no member wishes to pay postage on trash. Stamps should not be placed on the backs of pages, and it will be necessary as in the past, to return books received in this condition without circulating them. Hinges that do not peel too readily are the best to use. Books should be allowed to remain in the Department at least a year, if possible, for as a rule, satisfactory results can not be obtained in less time.

It takes an average of two months for a circuit to pass around among ten members, and unless a book can pass through at least four or five circuits, the sales might prove disappointing. Many of the most successful sellers through the Department advise us to keep their books *as long as desired*, and as all books are kept "busy" going out on new routes promptly after their return from previous ones, the longer they are kept in motion, the better.

Again we must ask for consideration on the part of those members who some-

REMOVAL BARGAINS

U. S. 1847, 10c black.....	Cat. $5.00	for $2.20
" 1857, 90c blue, unused....	20.00	8.00
" 1861, 90c blue	3.50	1.65
" 1869, 30c blue and carm ..	3.00	1.25
" **Justice** 1c unused, o. g..	1.50	.55
" **Treasury** 6c " " ..	.25	.09
" " 15c " " ..	.50	.15
" " 30c " " ..	.60	.20
" " 90c " " ..	2.00	.75
" **War** 7c " " ..	2.00	.65
" " 15c or 24c, " " ..	.35	.10
Canada Jubilee 1897, $4.....	3.00	1.25
" " $5.....	4.00	1.45
Gt. Britain 1867, 5sh rose	2.00	.50
" 1884, £1 violet ...	7.00	2.95
" 1991, 10sh ultram.	1.00	.35
France 1849, 1f carmine.....	1.50	.50
" 1852, 10c bistre.....	2.50	.95
" 1853, 1f lake, Napoleon	5.00	1.95

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*Abyssinia, Dues, 1896, 4, 8, 16g	$0.60	$0.12
Austria, Jubilee 1907, 50, 60h, 1, 2kr..	.36	.08
Canada 1897, Jubilee $2.....	1.50	.55
China 1898, 10, 20, 30, 50c.....	.56	.15
* " Kewkiang 1894, 1 to 40c.....	2.11	.20
Denmark, News. 1907, 1o to 1kr.....	.46	.12
Ecuador, 515 to 518, postally cancelled	1.60	.15
Japan 1883-92, 1s to 1 yen.....	.31	.07
" 1896, War, 4 vars.....	.22	.07
" 1899-1900, 1s to 1 yen	.30	.08
*Mauritius 1876-77, ½ on 10p No. 46...	.50	.10
Persia 1899, 1c to 50k.....	2.48	.98
*Porto Rico, due on U. S., 1c No. 301	.60	.15
*Salvador 1893, 2, 5, 10p, very fine.....	.54	.18
* " 1894, $2, 5, 10, desirable	.60	.18
*Samoa 1899, Prov. Govt., ½p to 2sh 6p	2.70	.75
*Switzerland 1881, 2c to 1fr	.24	.06
Surinam, Nos. 31, 33, 34, 35	1.20	.25

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500 Varieties from all parts of world, fine collection, only..... **.50**
100 varieties U. S., cat. over $2.50..... .15
Pan Amer. compl., 15c; Jamestown, compl. .04
100 varieties, 4 to 75c each, cat. 8.00, only.. 1.00
1000 U. S. or Foreign, good mixtures..... .10
App. sheets at 60%. 1000 hinges ..... .05
AA Mixture, 1000 cat. over $20.00 ..... 1.00

P. G. BEALS,
56 Pearl St., BOSTON, MASS.

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We desire to state again this year that the Department is run entirely in the interests of the collector members, and while larger sales might result if we ourselves sold over our counter, it would be at the expense of giving members their proper proportion of fresh books, hence no sales are made in the office.

The detailed statement for the year ending July 1, 1910, is as follows:

2578 books on hand in circulation July 1st, '09, priced at	$50,996.27
2375 books received July 1st, 1909, to July 1, '10, priced at	43,776.63
4923	$94,772.90
2458 books returned to owners (sales $10,339.57), priced at	48,941.19
2465	$45,831.71
10 books Sanborn circuit lost (settled for from insurance fund),	288.91
2455 books in circulation June 30th, 1910,	$45,542.80

Cash Report.

July 1, 1909, bal. on hand,	$5,388.04
Cash rec'd in July,	903.87
" " Aug.,	573.70
" " Sept.,	615.27
" " Oct.,	526.90
" " Nov.,	632.14
" " Dec.,	547.44
" " Jan., 1910,	777.89
" " Feb.,	825.25
" " March,	696.64
" " April,	852.10
" " May,	755.80
" " June,	1,022.00
Total,	$14,117.04
2458 sales books returned (value $48,941.19),	10,339.57
June 30th, cash on hand,	$3,777.47

Summary of cash on 2458 books retired to owners during the year ending June 30th, 1910:

Priced value, $48,941.19; total sales,		$10,339.57
Cash remitted to owners,	$8,550.65	
Value received. Postage on owner's books retired,	98.97	
Value received. Blank sales books charged,	45.25	
		$8,694.87
Commission to Sales Superintendent (from which Branch Mgrs. Coms. were paid),		1,228.32
Fines for counterfeits,		40.82
Insurance,		375.56
Total,		$10,339.57

It will be noted that the sales from the retired books have amounted to 21.15%, which is not quite up to last year's record. In considering the question, we attribute the slight falling off to the fact that quite a number of damaged stamps together with many Seebecks have been entered. As stated in the report of last year, it is really not worth while to circulate stamps of this character. On the other hand, a certain number of the members have used great care in preparing their sales books with a good class of stamps at reasonable prices. They have been rewarded by excellent sales often averaging 50%. We, therefore, urge the members to use thought and care in preparing their books if they would secure the best results.

Insurance.

During the year, there have been retired 2458 books priced at $48,941.19, on which assessed insurance was $385.36, as follows:

Month of Sept., 1909,	$116.88
Nov.,	37.08
Dec.,	31.53
Jan., 1910,	42.97
March,	38.63
May,	46.73
June,	71.54
	$385.36

which amounts have been remitted to the Treasurer of the A. P. S.

*Includes fines of $9.80 collected during the year from certain members on account of their keeping circuits much over the stipulated time. This amount of $9.80 has been paid over to the Treasurer of the A. P. S. with the request that he credit same to the insurance fund.

Respectfully submitted,
PERCIVAL PARRISH, Sales Supt.

PHILA., Aug. 11, 1910.

Board of Vice Presidents, A. P. S.,
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809 Chemical Bldg., St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sirs:—Having been requested to act as committee to examine into and audit the accounts of the Sales Department for the year ending June 30th, 1910, we beg to report that having looked into all these accounts carefully, hereby certify that they are entirely correct and in accordance with the report as submitted to you for the year by Mr. Percival Parrish.

Yours truly,
COMMITTEE.

PHILATELIC LITERATURE COMMITTEE.

To the American Philatelic Society:

At the convention of 1898 it was voted to provide for the appointment of a standing committee which should report annually on the philatelic publications of the preceding year. The first report of the series was presented at the convention held in Detroit in 1899 and the present is therefore the twelfth of the series. That these reports are appreciated by the members can be learned by the numerous letters and words of commendation received by your chairman from collectors all over the philatelic world.

The literature of philately is growing rapidly and the past few years has seen many valuable publications placed on the market. The past year seems to have been devoted more to popular works rather than to the more advanced literature and this is a class of works for which we have been long waiting. Books that appeal to the mass of collectors are what we need to instruct our new recruits and not the tremendously technical works which, valuable as they are, only appeal to a very limited number.

Several series of these popular handbooks have appeared during the year. Of the Melville books several numbers have been placed on the market and others are in preparation. The Embossed Adhesive Stamps of Great Britain, British New Guinea and Papua, Tonga, Jamaica, and three volumes covering the stamps of the United States, 1847-1869, 1870-1893, 1894-1910. The low price at which these valuable little handbooks are sold ($1 per series of eight or 15 cents each) places them at the disposal of everyone and it is not strange to learn that their sale has been very large. The New England Stamp Co. are the agents for this country.

Three more handbooks by B. W. H. Poole have been issued in the *West End Philatelist* series treating respectively of the stamps of Zululand, Gold Coast and Bulgaria. They can be had of D. Field, 4 & 5 Royal Arcade, Old Bond St., London, W., and sell for 15 cents each.

Another handbook by Mr. Poole is British Honduras, reprinted from the *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly.* Another work issued by the same publishers is devoted to the Stamps of Uruguay by S. Jean, originally published in French by Chas. Mendel of Paris. Each of these works sells for 15 cents and can be had from the publishers, 63 Chancery Lane, London, W. C.

The *Postage Stamp* Handbooks, inaugurated by the late Edward J. Nankivell, have been issued to the extent of six numbers, Jamaica and Cayman Islands, Cape of Good Hope and Niger Coast Protectorate by Mr. Nankivell, Dominica by Mr. Pocle, Abyssinia by Mr. Melville and New Hebrides by an anonymous author who signs himself "Single C. A." These books can be had from W. H. Peckitt, 47 Strand, London, for three shillings the set of six or 15 cents singly.

The first handbook issued by our own society appeared last year, just too late to be mentioned in our last report and was entitled "On Plating the 3c 1851 United States Postage Stamp." It is not for sale, a copy being given to each member of the society. Another manuscript is in the hands of the committee and would have been issued during the past year but for lack of financial support. It is devoted to a list of United States Essays, a subject which is but little known and which needs exploiting.

The educational committee have issued two little folders designed for circulation among the younger collectors which deserve especial mention. One is devoted to Australia and the other to the Philippines and each is illustrated with actual stamps pasted on the leaflet. A third number is soon to appear devoted to China. "A Little Talk with Boys and Girls" by our president is sent with each leaflet. The Recruiting Committee have also issued an attractive booklet to aid in the work of that committee.

On the other side of the water the Junior Philatelic Society have reprinted from the *Stamp Lover* the articles on Fiscal Stamps of the United States by L. W. Crouch, a copy of which was presented to each member of the society resident in the United States. It is beautifully illustrated with half tones and can be had from H. F. Johnson, 44 Fleet St., London for 65 cents. Another reprint from the same journal is The Story of the J. P. S., a Record of Ten Years Progress by Ralph Wetmore.

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EDITORIAL.

Dues and Details—The question of dues in the American Philatelic Society was adjusted as follows: The yearly dues are to be ninety cents and the subscription price of the Quarterly to members is placed at thirty cents; and in this way, the dues may be said to remain at $1.20 a year. It is expected, of course, that each member will wish to receive the Quarterly but it will be incumbent upon the society to accept nienty cents only from members who refuse to subscribe to the Quarterly. The subscription rate to non-members was placed at sixty cents a year. This arrangement was necessitated by the recent change of policy of the post-office department. The Quarterly is to be continued under certain controlling influences and it is expected that it will soon obtain second class rates when the amount of postage on deposit at Columbus will be released. At least Number 4 is to be issued and it is probable that the suggestion of Mr. Mudge that a weekly circular be published beginning with the next fiscal year, 1911, will be reported upon favorably. The WEEKLY received 261 votes for official journal and the *American Philatelist* 17; scattering 7. The great majority of WEEKLY adherents did not put a cross opposite the name of the paper that they favored, as there were no instructions on the ballot relative to voting for official journal. The ballot as sent to members was not a copy of that approved by the President; a change, undoubtedly unintentional, was made in the form of the ballot in the official journal section and consequently, many members believed that it was not required to put the cross after the name of the WEEKLY in order to vote for it.

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A Needed Change—There will be a decided change in the business conduct of the secretary's office and the antiquated methods that have been employed will give way to approved systematized procedure. In his report as special investigator, Iver R. Johnson, recommended the adoption of a system to replace the obsolete order of things that impeded the machinery of the office; and later, a resolution was passed authorizing the needed departure. The present methods in use by the secretary are a legacy of years past and there has been no disposition to take advantage of the improved ideas of later years. The reform is one that will help the secretary and reduce the chances of confusion to a minimum. The improved order will be instituted at once and it is hoped that the somewhat chaotic conditions that still exist soon will give way to system. The new secretary, W. H. Barnum, will start his term under favorable auspices and he may be depended upon to discharge his duties so as to give satisfaction to all. Mr. Barnum enjoys a striking personal popularity and those members who do not know him will gain good opinions of him through his work.

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They Tell It All—As official journal, the WEEKLY will present the reports of the different officers and committees and as so much space has been and is required for their display, comment on some of them is omitted. It is apparent that the affairs of the society were given close scrutiny during the administration just closed and it is safe to predict that even more care than before will be bestowed upon the workings of the corporation this year. The organization has become one of such size and standing that intelligent management is demanded if it is to flourish. There was no questioning the feeling of harmony that prevailed and the only cause for regret was of absence of some of the old members who customarily attend conventions and who loan dignity and distinction to the gathering. Stalwarts such as Messrs. Luff, Deats, Toppan, Batchelder, and Doeblin were missed.

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Fair Comment—We have heard from some of the members who have registered their disapproval of the action in placing other papers on a par with the WEEKLY as official journal, in that carbon copies of the official matter may be sent to publishers at the same time the report is sent to the WEEKLY but as we do not regard the case in a personal way, there is no intention to enlarge upon it at present. Our protest was made in the same spirit practically as it would have been if other issues that were believed to be unfair had been involved and was treated as a matter of news that justified some comment. Naturally, however, we are thankful to those who have expressed themselves and acknowledgment to that effect is now made.

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A Mishap—The only incident to mar the enjoyment of the social side of the convention happened after the convention had convened. On Thursday afternoon, while one of the large sightseeing automobiles was nearing the aquarium in Belle Isle Park where a stop was to be made, the chauffeur in turning into a lane made too wide a detour and smashed into a tree at the roadside. The machine was battered and some of the seats were jammed against each other. H. S. Adair, Columbus, Howard H. Elliott, Winchenden, Mass., and H. A. Blackwell, Woodside, New York, were hurt and were hurried to the city in a private auto whose occupants saw the accident. All three were suffering from sprains and lacerations about the legs but they bore their pain manfully. Mr. Crowell was slightly bruised but did not reveal the fact at the time. That more serious consequences did not attend the accident was almost providential but as it was, the fortunate fellow passengers of the victims could not easily shake off the depression caused by the untimely affair. The heartiest sympathy was felt for the victims. Their interests were placed in the hands of Mr. Schmalzriedt, an attorney and member of the Detroit Philatelic Society.

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High Class—Detroit proved to be an ideal convention city and without exception, the visitors voiced their admiration of its natural attractions. In fact, some of the delegates postponed their departures several days after the time originally set, so favorably were they impressed. Too much praise cannot be given the American Philatelic Society members in Detroit upon whom the duty of entertaining the visitors devolved. The Detroit men by all the rules that may be applied to measure human qualities are of the highest rank; their hospitality was unbounded and their entertainment in excellent taste.

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Reported—The report of the Finance Committee showed that the condition of the treasury is such as to make it advisable to conserve expenditures until new sources of income are developed. One of these by process of elimination is the saving on the WEEKLY which no longer is furnished to members at thirty-five cents a year by the society. Each subscription now is an individual matter between member and publisher of the WEEKLY. The supplementary report of the Educational Committee was of interest as in it, suggestions were made that a monthly bulletin be published providing matter suited to the tastes of the young and that stamp buttons designed to meet juvenile ideals be distributed. It is advised that the Burroughs' articles be continued.

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A. P. S. ANNUAL REPORTS.

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An important work devoted to the "General Issues of United States Stamps" was brought out by Stanley Gibbons, Inc. It is from the pen of Eustace B. Power and is a handbook to the different shades and varieties. The text is plentifully interspersed with cuts showing the differences in the varieties and a valuable adjunct to the book is the pricing of the numerous shades listed. A valuable article by C. H. Mekeel which appeared in the *Philatelic Journal of America* has been included in the book by permission. It is devoted to the special perforations on our stamps which are intended for use in vending and mailing machines. It has also appeared in pamphlet form by the Stamp Security Co. of St. Louis. Mr. Power's book can be obtained from the publishers, 198 Broadway, New York, for $1.00 in cloth or 75 cents in paper.

Another publication by the same firm is a little leaflet entitled "Varieties of U. S. Imperf. Stamps" which sells for 10 cents. The History of the Postmarks of the British Isles from 1840 to 1876 which appeared as a supplement to *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* has been reprinted in book form and can be had for $1.00 in cloth or 75 cents in paper.

"Les Timbres du Chili" by S. Jean which has been appearing in *Le Timbre Poste* is advertised in book form by Chas. Mendel, 118 Rue d'Assas, Paris for 30 cents.

"Papua, Its Posts and Postage Stamps," by H. G. Jobson can be had from the author, Redlands, Sidmouth, Devon, Eng. for 27 cents. It is said to be an excellent little handbook.

"Les Falsifications du Transvaal" by Leon de Raaij which we noted last year is not for sale, a limited number having been printed for distribution to the leading philatelic societies.

"Halifax Posts 1684-1852" by H. Ling Roth, curator of the Bankfield Museum, is a valuable little pamphlet giving an account of the early posts and their handstamps as found in the correspondence preserved in Shibden Hall. It can be had for 27 cents, post paid from F. King & Sons, Ltd., Commercial St., Halifax, Eng.

Another work dealing with the early posts is "Pre-Victorian Postage Stamps and Franks" by G. A. Foster. This of course deals with the same kind of stamps as were used in our own country prior to the issue of adhesive stamps, namely the well known "Paid" marks and is a proper preface to the history of stamps themselves. It is published by Chas. Nissen & Co., 7 Southampton Row, London and sells for $1.35 post paid. The same firm also issue the seventh edition of their well known "Stamp Collectors' Annual" containing a number of articles including the index for philatelic literature of 1909. Price 27 cents post paid.

An illustrated booklet descriptive of the famous Avery collection has been gotten out by W. H. Peckitt and we are under the impression it is for free distribution to his clients.

The book on the Campeche locals of Mexico written by Walter Clark Bellows which we noted last year is being reprinted in the *Philatelic Journal of America* and the first section has appeared as a separate leaflet.

Nunn's "Stamp Dealers of Great Britain" is now in its 21st edition and is published by C. J. Endle & Co., Bournmouth, Eng. at 12c.

An interesting and valuable souvenir of the well known Seybold collection is a pamphlet issued by J. C. Morgenthau, 87 Nassau St., N. Y., containing 23 plates showing some 37 of the more valuable covers in the collection. Its price is 25 cents.

Senf Bros. of Leipzig continue the publication of the work on reprints by Captain Paul Ohrt as a supplement to the *Illustriertes Briefmarken Journal.* An English translation of this work was commenced some time ago in the *Philatelic World* but as that journal has been absorbed by the *West End Philatelist* we are not aware whether it is to be continued or not.

The St. Petersburg section of the Dresden society has commenced the publication of a work entitled "Die Postwertzeichen der Russischen Landschaftsaemter" which is to appear in 25 parts with many plates and $1.50 per part. Six parts, each of 32 pages are now ready and the work when completed will be a veritable encyclopedia of what we commonly call Russian locals.

A little known book noted in the *Journal of the Philatelic Literature Society* is "Kan Koku Yubin Kitte Jo" or Album of Korean postage stamps. It is printed throughout in Japanese and is illustrated with specimens of the stamps themselves with the exception of the first issue. It is said to have been issued by the Department of Communications of the Japanese Resident in Korea but no place or date of publication is given.

A catalogue of railway, messenger and steamship stamps was issued in 1908 by Jean Verzijl which is said to be a most excellent work. It has only recently come to our notice and we have not yet had an opportunity to examine it. The publisher's address is 172 Rue Frederic Lints, Louvain, Belgium and the price of the book 60 cents. A note in the *Philatelic Record* for April mentions the issue of the first section of an elaborate monograph on the stamps of China but gives no details except that it is a serial insert with the *Mitteilungen* issued by Paul Kohl.

The work on the stamps of Switzerland by Ernst Zumstein, a translation of which has been running in the *Philatelic Record* for some time past is soon to appear in book form.

Mr. E. D. Bacon some little time since announced that he had commenced the printing of the catalogue of philatelic literature in the library of the Earl of Crawford. The use of the plates have been placed at the disposal of the Philatelic Literature Society and it is hoped that it will be possible to supply each of the members with a copy free of charge. As the library is undoubtedly the finest in the world the catalogue will be of immense value to literature collectors as a check list and history.

Chas. Mendel has recently issued the "Annuaire du Timbre-Poste et de la Carte Postale Illustree" compiled by Geroges Brunel. It contains lists of collectors of stamps and view cards, philatelic societies and a press directory together with numerous miscellaneous articles. The price is 75 cents post paid from the publishers, 26 Allee du Rocher, Le Rainey (S. et O) France.

Another Annual is that issued by Bela Szekula of Budapest, of which we have seen no particulars aside from an announcement. H. Haack of Crefeld, Germany has also issued an address book, now in its second edition, which sells for 25 cents.

The Year Book of the United States Revenue Society contains a report of the convention of last year together with the annual reports of the officers and the list of members. As a supplement it has just issued a "Hand Book and Check List of United States Revenue Stamps" compiled by the secretary Mr. J. Delano Bartlett, which goes far ahead of anything in its line. The book is fully up to date and contains full lists of all the numerous feed inspection stamps, etc., which have been appearing in the southern states of late and of which no list has been available. The book should do much towards making popular the collection of the state issues and also of adding to the membership of the society for we are informed the book is not for sale to the public but can only be obtained by joining the society.

The second Year Book of the Southern Philatelic Association is announced but your committee have not seen a copy. The price is 10 cents from the secretary R. L. Doak, West Lafayette, Ohio.

A little late in the day comes the report of the First Philatelic Congress of Great Britain held last year in Manchester. It is a 56 page pamphlet and sells for 25 cents from the Junior society of that city.

A report of the XXI Deutschen Philatelisten Tag at Karlsbad last summer was included as a supplement to *Der Philatelist* for December. The second number of the "Record of the Philatelic Students' Fellowship" has appeared and like the first is for private circulation only and not for sale.

C. Malke of Leipzig has issued an international directory of philatelic journals which sells for 8 cents. It is full of errors but will be of use in some respects.

Auction sales of philatelic literature have been very much in evidence during the past season and the high prices realized show that collectors are waking up to the fact that they need a library to fully understand their stamps.

On October 12 was sold the library of J. M. Andreini there being about 75 lots many of them in fine morocco bindings. On November 1, Glendenning & Co. of London sold 210 lots of literature among which were many of the early publications relating to philately. On the 13th of the same month P. M. Wolsieffer sold some 140 lots which brought excellent prices and included a number of the older publications and sets of periodicals. On March 10 of the present year the Scott Stamp & Coin Co. sold some 40 lots of standard works and on May 12 the same firm disposed of the library of Henry L. Calman containing over 200 lots and comprising the best working library ever sold at auction in this country.

Articles on literature are becoming more frequent in the periodicals and the *Journal of the Philatelic Literature Society* has contributed numerous valuable bibliographies.

There have been in the past several abortive attempts to form an American literature society but they have failed for various reasons. During the past year however another attempt has been made and from present indications it bids fair to be more permanent and to accomplish some definite work. Mr. Ricketts of our committee is the historian and has in preparation the first publication of the society which will consist of a handbook containing a list of every publication in the English language relating to philately which appeared during the year 1909. Persons interested in the work of the society can get full information from the secretary, Geo. W. Linn, Columbus, Ohio.

Of the periodicals of the past year we shall say but little as we have in preparation a list of the world's existing periodicals with full data concerning each which we hope to issue as an addenda to this report. Among the new periodicals, however, should be mentioned the quarterly edition of the *American Philatelist* issued by our society, the *Attleboro Philatelist, Billikin's Philatelic Magazine, Everybody's Philatelist, Philadelphia Stamp News* (a weekly), *Philatelic Journal of America,* and the *Stamp Collector.*

Your committee have also in preparation a list of stamp catalogues and important price lists issued during the year which will also appear in the addenda.

Respectfully submitted,
WILLIAM C. STONE,
H. E. DEATS,
WM. R. RICKETTS,
Com. on Philatelic Literature.

REPORT OF THE 25th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE.

CHICAGO, July 21, 1912.

MR. H. N. MUDGE, Pres.,
American Philatelic Society,
6643 Normal Ave., City.

Dear Sir:—The 25th Anniversary Committee begs to present its report as follows:

The members of the Committee have discussed a great many details of the proposed 25th Anniversary Celebration, both by correspondence and by means of personal visits with the President of the Society, and have come to the conclusion that it would not be within their province to suggest such definite details of the celebration which might conflict with the plans of a local committee appointed by the Society or Club entertaining the American Philatelic Society in 1911.

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—Corrections in the A. P. S. List given last week: Mr. Heth, Birmingham, Mich.; Mr. Shuffelton, Greenville, Ohio; Mr. Harrison, Pontiac, Ill.; Mr. Ferris, Taylorville, Ill.

—Fred Michael, Chicago, will be one of the stamp men who will attend the convention of the American Numismatic Association at New York, and he will be at the Park Avenue Hotel, the week of September 4th. P. M. Wolsieffer will also attend the convention of the coin folks, and Ben G. Green and Henry Ades Fowler expect to accompany him. It is probable that Mr. Wolsieffer will bring up the question of the advisability of the American Numismatic Association meeting in Chicago at about the same time that the American Philatelic Society does.

—Notice is called to the removal of Leon V. Cass, whose ads appear regularly on page two, from New Milford, Pa., to 12 Seminary Ave., Binghamton, N. Y.

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Without any desire to anticipate legislation, we call your attention to the fact that Chicago is bidding strongly for the convention in 1911. It is necessary to state that the recommendations of this Committee, regarding an international competitive exhibition, are based, to some extent, upon the presumption that the 1911 Convention will be held in a large, centrally-located city.

We recommend that such an exhibition be held under the auspices of the American Philatelic Society, that this exhibition be open to collectors only for competition, dealers to be allowed to display for exhibition only.

We have in Chicago a very fine public Art Institute. Mr. French, the director of this Institute, has told us, as has likewise Mr. Hutchinson, the president, that we may count on the use of a gallery during the time of the convention in August, 1911.

This will be furnished free, although it may be necessary for the Society to purchase admission cards for the members and their friends. We believe, however, that we can secure free admission to all members on presentation of a convention badge or some similar token.

The expense of holding such an exhibition is somewhat problematical, depending, of course, to a great extent, upon how many exhibits would be secured and their total value.

The largest items of expense would be insurance and medals. We believe that $240.00 will be necessary for insuring to all exhibitors the safety from fire and theft of all stamps sent to the Committee, which insurance will be effective from the time the stamps are received from the Express Co. until they are again delivered safely sealed to the carriers on their return trip.

The medals we suggest should be three in number for each class:

First prize—Gold medal.
Second prize—Silver medal.
Third prize—Bronze medal.

We believe that $260.00 will be a fair amount to figure as the cost of the medals, including the dies, and with $250.00 more, to be used for rental of a proper safety deposit vault for temporary storage, police protection, postage, stationery, incidentals, etc., we have a total expense of $750.00.

We believe that this money can be easily secured (1) by individual subscriptions of members; (2) by advertisements in the official exhibition program; (3) by an appropriation of the Society.

We suggest that there be no official banquet or smoker during the period of the convention, but that there be set aside one evening for a formal meeting, with appropriate speeches and papers.

In case the convention is held in Chicago, we recommend that one day during the convention period be set aside for the purpose of celebrating with the Chicago Philatelic Society its 25th Anniversary, this day to be known officially as "Chicago Day."

We suggest that a complete history of the Society be printed and distributed at the time of the convention, as a further fitting celebration of its 25th Anniversary.

We should attempt to make this meeting a grand reunion of our membership, especially all the older members and those that have not been active in the Society in recent years.

We recommend the appointment of a Committee, with power to add to their number, to take entire charge of the exhibition and formulate its rules.

This Committee has incurred no expense.

In conclusion, the 25th Anniversary Committee begs to be discharged.

Respectfully submitted,

25th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE,
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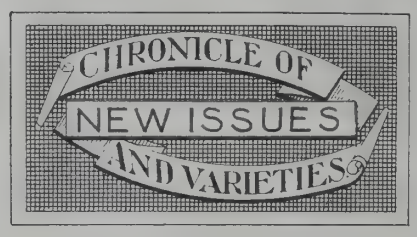

Edited by HENRY A. KIDDER.

Any information regarding new issues will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Address HENRY A. KIDDER, 17 Addison St., Arlington, Mass. Letters calling for a reply should contain a self-addressed, stamped envelope. We cannot give applicants the addresses of our correspondents.

UNITED STATES.—L. G. Williams reports finding the current 1c envelope on blue paper, with a dot extending from the colorless line around the head into the enclosed oval of green containing the head. This dot is slightly above the bottom of the left figure "1". Mr. Williams has also found a similar dot, on the 2c brown on buff paper, but much smaller and less distinct than on the 1c.

BOSNIA.—In addition to the issue of the current stamps with the addition of the dates "1830—1910", important changes are contemplated in the Bosnian stamps, which are thus summarized by *Maury's Collectionneur:* New values of 12, 60 and 72 hellers will be created, while the 5, 10 and 25 heller stamps will be restored to the small form and will bear the portrait of the Emperor Francis Joseph. The new values noted above will show the landscapes now in use for the 5, 10 and 25 hellers. Probably it has been found that the large sized stamps are not practical for a large circulation, therefore the purpose to change the values most in use to the ordinary size. There will also be created a series of newspaper stamps, of the values of 2, 6, 10 and 20 hellers.

BULGARIA.—Another provisional has appeared, pending the issue of the new series. The 15c of 1901 has been overprinted "1910" in small heavy figures at the top, and a large "5" at the bottom, both being in dark blue. The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the new provisional.

Provisional Adhesive.

5s on 15s lilac rose and gray black.

CEYLON. — Certain new values have appeared for this Colony, and the 25c has been reprinted in a new color.

Adhesives.

10c olive and brown.
25c gray.
50c brown.
1r brown on yellow.
2r red on yellow.
5r black on green.
10r black on red.

GERMAN EAST AFRICA.—Mr. Schachne reports the 4 heller green card with divided face. The headline, address lines and stamp are same as the last, but on the right-hand half, with a heavy perpendicular line in center of card.

MALTA.—The *Colonial Office Journal* says the 2d, 4½d, 5d, 1sh and 5sh values have been ordered in the new colors.

MONTENEGRO. — *Maury's Collectionneur* says that the commemorative set noted in No. 1026, will represent Prince Nicolas at different epochs,—when a student in Paris, at his accession to the throne, and at the present time. Other values will represent the battles of Podgovitza, Niksitch, Antivari and Voudjiedo. One value will show the Prince and Princess.

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NEWFOUNDLAND.—A. C. Roessler sends us the first of a new series of stamps from this Island. The stamp comes as a complete surprise, as no intimation had been previously given to such an issue. The series is called the "Guy" Tercentenary issue, and will consist of the value, 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c, 5c, 6c, 8c, 10c, 12c and 15c. The design of the 1c value, shown us by Mr. Roessler, has a portrait of "King James I—Who Granted Charter—to Guy", as the legend reads, printed in a large curved tablet below the portrait. "Newfoundland—Postage" appears in two curved lines over the portrait, with the value in words in a straight line cutting into the top of the portrait oval. The dates, "1610" and "1910" appear in the upper corners. The size is the same as the recent stamps of the Colony. There is no imprint on the single stamp sent us, but it appears to be the work of the American Bank Note Co.

Adhesive.

1c green.

NICARAGUA.—Hermann Focke sends us two covers from Bluefields, containing a queer assortment of stamps, and with them writes this explanatory letter:

"The first mail from Bluefields, since the lifting of the blockade brings a few postal curiosities, which are enclosed for inspection. The 10c claret, American print, has received no less than four different surcharges, as follows: 1. Obliteration of old value in claret, apparently in two heavy horizontal lines, with new value, '5', surcharged in green over the claret obliteration. 2. Surcharge of new value, '5—Centavos' in green. 3. 'Dpto. Zelaya—3' surcharged in dark green. 4. Surcharged 'Telegrafos' in black diagonally reading up. Though apparently a provisional telegraph stamp they are used for postage. What more do you want for five cents, silver money?"

One of the covers has the 5c envelope of 1905, cut square and used as an adhesive.

Provisional Adhesive.

5c on 10c claret, surcharged as above.

PARAGUAY.—A. W. Dunning has favored us with a specimen of the new 5c chronicled in No. 1025.

PERSIA.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us two more values in the new set chronicled in No. 1008.

Adhesives.

26c green and violet brown.
1kr purple and bronze.

Maury's Collectionneur says that the 1c stamps of 1902, often found surcharged diagonally "P. L.—Teheran" in two lines come from a lot which in the course of the journey from Denzeli to Teheran fell in the Sefid Rond river. The stamps, which thus lost their gum were sold for use in Teheran only, hence the inscription, "Poste Locale Teheran".

SALVADOR.—The C. E. Hussman Stamp Co. has shown us the 17c value in the new set, and the New England Stamp Co. has shown us the new 12c value.

Adhesives.

12c dark blue and black.
17c dark green and black.

URUGUAY.—*Scott's Circular* says: "Recent changes in Uruguay postal methods will have a marked effect upon the supply of cancelled stamps from that country. In the past, it has been the custom for the postage on newspapers, circulars, price-lists and other printed matter to be paid in bulk, high values, being cancelled in the process. By a new law, all printed matter except newspapers must henceforth have the postage paid on each one. This means a great decrease in the use of 1, 2 and 3 peso stamps and a corresponding increase in the supply of ½ and 1c values, particularly the former."

CONVENTION GROUP, AMERICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY, DETROIT, MICH., AUGUST 16-17-18, 1910.

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Finland—Nos. 4, 50c; 5, 10c; 6, 25c; 7, 25c; 8, 40c; 9, 5c, 10, 9c; 12, 30c; 16, $1.25; 18, 2c; 19, 40c. 21, 2c; 22, 2c; 23, 10c; 24, 25c; 28, 1c; 31, 1c; 32, 2c; 33, 1c; 34, 1c; 35, 6c; 38, 2c; 39, 2c; 40, 1c; 41, 1c; 42, 1c; 43, 4c; 46, 2c; 50, 2c; 65, 1c; 66, *2c; 67, 1c; 68, 5c.

France—Nos. 1, pair, 90c; 2, 75c; 2, pair, $2.00; 3, *30c; 7, 45c, pair, 90c; 9, 60c, pair creased, 1.25; 12, 4c; 14, 1c; 15, 1c; 16, ½c; 17, 50c; 18, 1c; 18a, 1c; 19, 4c; 20, 4c; 21, 2.00; 22, 1c; 23, 1c; 24, ½c; 25, ½c; 26, 1c; 27, 2c; 29, *4c; 30, 4c; 31, 1c, * 15c; 32, ½c; 33, 1c; 34, 1c; 35, 2c; 36, 50c; 41, 5c; 49, 8c; 50, 1c; 52, ½c; 53, 1c; 54, 1c; 55, 1c; 57, ½c; 60, 1c; 61, 1c; 63, 1c; 66, 6c; 70, 1c; 76, 1c; 78, ½c; 80, ½c; 81, 1c; 82, ½c; 84, ½c; 86, ½c; 88, ½c; 90, ½c; 91, ½c; 92, ½c; 93, 1c; 95, ½c; 97, ½c; 98, 1c; 99, ½c; 100, ½c; 101, ½c; 102, 2c; 103, ½c; 104, 1c 108, ½c; 112, ½c; 114, ½c; 116, 1c; 118, 1c; 119, 1c; 120, 1c; 121, 4c; 122, 15c; 123, 1c; 124, ½c; 126, 1c; 128, ½c; 129, ½c; 130, 1c; 131, ½c; 132, ½c; 134, ½c; 135, ½c; 138, ½c; 140, 1c; 141, 1c; 211, 1c; 216, 1c; 219, 1c; 229, 1c; 230, 1c; 231, 2c; 232, 1c; 234, 1c; 281, 2c; 602, 1c; 603, 4c.

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Gibraltar—Nos. 5, 1.50; 8, 3c; 9, 3c; 10, 15c; 12, 1.50; 13, 2.00; 18, 10c; 19, used 35c, 20, used 80c; 21, 45c; 22, 1c; 23, 2c; 24, 4c; 25, 8c; 26, 10c. 38, 4c; 44, 60c; 206, 1.40.

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from use of the comb machine and there are obviously many derogatives.

The *London Philatelist* for July contains an installment of an article by the Earl of Crawford that should interest American antiquarian-philatelists. It is abstracts from the U. S. patent office of specifications of patents on postage stamp improvements, designs and devices. It is a record alike of the marvelous ingenuity of the human brain and of the thoroughness and extensive scope of the president of the Royal Philatelic Society's philately.

In the same magazine is an excellent article by M. P. Castle on the first issue of New Zealand. He makes very lucid his ideas on these 3 stamps, embodying all that has been said about them before. The number printed is given and seems very small. Postmark, shade and obliteration are the indications he leads us by, though the presence of blued paper is a sure sign.

In the July 30 *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* Mr. Marshall concludes his long series of lists of British cancellation numbers. It is a work that must have taken an immense amount of work and research unless taken from postal archives and we would suppose that it might prove of considerable value as expert knowledge in legal matters.

The *Postage Stamp* of July 30th has an interesting article on the Local Stamps of Switzerland by Fred Edwards. He treats first of the Cantonals and explains the application of the inscriptions Rayon I, Rayon II and Rayon III on the first stamps of the Federal Administration. I do not remember seeing this explained before. It corresponds to our word "radius," the territory being divided into certain postal circles called rayons, in each of which was a prescribed rate of postage. The inner circle or Rayon I extended up to 10 leagues and the rate was 5 rappen for ¼ oz. The second Rayon extended to 25 leagues and cost 10 rappen per ¼ oz. The third Rayon up to 40 leagues and rate was 15 rappen.

Under these locals he classed the Hotel stamps, which he lists and illustrates. These are hotel private enterprises for the accommodation of guests or for advertisement or both but some are so well known as to deserve recognition. As some of them sooner or later come under the notice of most collectors who do not know how to classify them, I give here the names of all he lists, viz: Belalp, Kurort Stoos, Maderanerthal, Rigi—coulm, Rigi—Kaltbad and Rigi Scheiclecls.

BARGAINS

Cat. No.		Cat. Price.	Our Pr.
10	St. Christopher 1d, penmark'd	$0.50	$0.15
19	St. Lucia ½d, surcharged, mint	.60	.25
48	Turks Island 1887, 6d, "	.40	.20
49a	" " 1sh, "	.75	.35
52	" 1893, 2½d, "	.18	.10
14	Virgin Islands 1883, 1d, "	1.25	.40
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By CHARLES E. JENNEY.

The Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly of July 23 has an explanatory article by Irwin Faris "On Comb and Single-Line Perforations." New Zealand in particular has been much bothered lately by perforation combinations of apparently most awkward and bungling execution. This article explains how they occur and is illustrated to show all the possible combinations. We fail to see any advantage that can be derived

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By C. A. HOWES.

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It has been suggested that a paper dealing with the die varieties of United States envelope stamps would prove most acceptable to many collectors. The difficulty of interpreting the meager details of the catalogue and the fact that the exhaustive histories of these issues (Horner's Tiffany, Bogert and Rechert's and G. L. Toppan's) are not accessible to many make the proper classification of these stamps quite a task. For these reasons collectors who would otherwise gladly include them in their albums either pass them by or lay aside such as they come across to wait until help comes.

A short account, therefore, describing and illustrating the chief points of identification so that the dies may readily be mounted in the International album or by following the Standard catalogue will, it is believed, help many to an interest in these issues which are none the less postage stamps, even though not gummed and perforated.

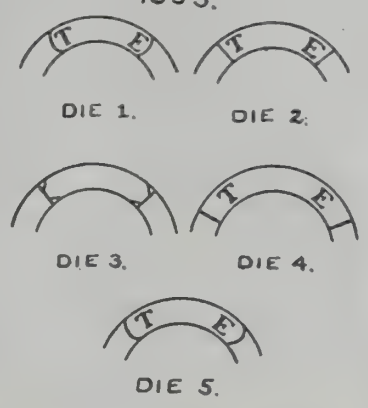
The impressions on the envelopes, naturally, are made from a single die, which is reproduced, as often as necessary, from an original cutting or "hub." In many cases these dies show such marked differences that they can only be accounted for by the use of several different hubs on which the design was separately engraved without too close attention to uniformity of detail—which may have been intentional in some cases.

Others show slight varieties by which the use of different hubs is recognized, but which depart so little from the general type as to be of interest only to the specialist. Still others show the effects of the wearing of the die or hub by use, and also of recutting or retouching to remedy this defect.

The minor varieties we do not propose to consider, for their name is legion almost, but where they are distinct enough to form readily recognizable differences, which are usually termed "die varieties," though as a rule they would be rather more correctly termed "hub varieties," and are given place in the Standard catalogue, we have endeavored to make their distinctions plain.

In the first issue of stamped envelopes, which appeared July 1, 1853, there are five well-marked dies which are, perhaps, more familiar to collectors than those of later issues. These are numbered in the catalogues instead of being lettered like the more recent issues—why, I cannot say, for Horner lettered them in his history.

1853.



The outline illustrations show the differences between the dies, which are mainly in the lettered labels. Die 1 is often called the "close die," because of the curved ends of the label inclosing THREE coming so close to the initial and final letters. Die 2 is the "narrow, straight" die, the ends of the label being straight and near the word THREE. Die 3 is generally known as the "K die." It is very similar to the last, but a short, diagonal line has been drawn in each corner of the label, making octagonal ends rather than "K ends." Die 4 is the "wide, straight" die. Not only is the label much wider than any other, but the letters of THREE are much farther apart. The ends are straight like Die 2. Die 5 is the common one, the label being narrow with curved ends which do not come so close to the word as in the case of Die 1.

Of the 6 cent there was but one die like Die 2, but of the 10 cent there were two, the narrow straight, Die 2, and the wide straight, Die 4.

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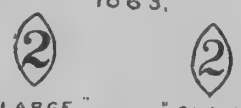
With the issue of 1860, with stars at the sides, there is no difficulty as there is but one die of each value, except the 1 cent. The only difference between the dies of the latter is that Die 1 has a period after POSTAGE, while Die 2 has none, and is slightly larger. Both the 1 cent and the 3 cent however appear with many minor varieties such as have already been alluded to, but which are not important enough to notice here.

In the issue of 1861 there are no die varieties except in the 3-cent value, and these again are of the minor type, though two are distinct enough to have special mention in Mr. Toppan's list. The first one has a broken circle containing the numeral at the left, and the second has a broken circle at the right, which runs into the outside border line of the stamp.

When we reach the 2-cent value of 1863-4, we find a number of differences. The first dies used in 1863 are lettered U. S. POSTAGE, and though there are a number of varieties only two are important enough to list.

1863.



"LARGE" FIGURE "SMALL" FIGURE

The illustration shows the difference between them which is most marked in the figures 2. In February, 1864, new dies appeared of the same general design, but inscribed U. S. POST. above. Again, there are many varieties due to carelessness in engraving, but these are grouped into two divisions following the width of the stamped impressions. These run from 23½ mm. to 26½ mm. The dividing line is taken at 26 mm., and all impressions having this width or over, are assigned to Die 1, while all under 26 mm. are assigned to Die 2.

For the other values of the 1864 issue there are only single dies, except for the 3 cent and 6 cent, which are again only minor.

We now come to the most puzzling of all issues for the majority of collectors. These are the so-called "Reay issue" of 1870, and the "Plimpton issue" of 1874. When G. H. Reay was awarded the contract for the stamped envelope series of 1870, he produced an artistic and beautifully engraved set of dies in which we find no varieties except a slight difference in the form of Franklin's "choker" on the 1 cent. The contract awarded by the Post-Office Department as most of us know, runs for four years. At the end of this period the Plimpton Manufacturing Company of Hartford, Conn., were the successful competitors. Mr. Reay tried by every means possible to prevent the new parties from carrying out their contract, refusing to deliver the dies to them and even attempting to "buy-up" every competent die sinker that he could obtain. The result was that the Plimpton Company brought out a poorly executed series of copies of the Reay dies, which are readily told from the latter. Some of them were so poor that several attempts were made to improve them, and hence we have a number of dies of these values which were generally those most used and therefore most hurriedly produced in the first place.

There are three general distinguishing features between the two issues; first, the fine engraving and clear printing of the Reay as against the more poorly executed and generally less clear appearance of the Plimpton; second, the horizontal shading lines which appear embossed without color on the numerals, or in the case of the 7 cent on the discs containing them, which are usually quite distinct on the Plimpton dies, but generally hardly noticeable on the Reay dies, and when they are distinct on the latter, seem to be finer than the Plimpton; third, the periods after U and S in the Reay dies are always square, while a majority of the 1, 2 and 3-cent Plimpton dies exhibit periods that are anything but squares.

For other differences between the two issues and the various dies of the Plimpton series we had best take up the issues together, value by value.

1 CENT. 1870: 1874

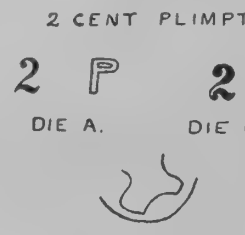
REAY. DIE A. DIE B. PLIMPTON.

1 cent. *Reay.* Bust evenly placed in oval and end points to N of ONE. All the scallops between the lettering and outer frame have dots in them.

Plimpton Die A. Bust comes to a corner at the back, very close to the frame. Lettering small and scroll-work very poorly done.

——— Die B. Bust evenly placed in oval like Reay, and end points between N and E of ONE. Back line of bust straight.

2 CENT PLIMPTON



DIE A. DIE C.

DIE D.

2 cent. *Reay.* Well-formed thick numerals in *circles.*

Plimpton Die A. Poorly formed thin numerals in circles; no ball at bottom of 2.

——— Die B. Thick numerals in *ovals;* O in TWO has a solid center of color.

——— Die B2. A variety of B in which the tail of the 2 at the left touches the oval.

——— Die B3. Another variety of B in which the center of the O in TWO has a couple of crossed lines in it.

——— Die C. The tail of the 2 is entirely clear of the down stroke, while in the previous dies it is connected with the down stroke for some distance above the "ball" numerals in ovals. This is the common die of the red 2 cent.

——— Die D. Numerals similar to C, but bust is cut away in a pronounced arc of a small circle, though nearer a quarter-circle than a semicircle as usually described.

3 CENT PLIMPTON

DIE A. DIE B. DIE C.

3 cent. *Reay.* Thick numerals in *circles;* (all *ovals* in Plimpton).

Plimpton. Die A. Tall, thin numerals in large ovals; small lettering.

——— Die B. Shorter, thick numerals in smaller ovals; large lettering; base of bust ½ mm. from bottom of frame.

——— Die C. Similar to B but base of bust 1 mm. from frame and knot of queue quite prominent.

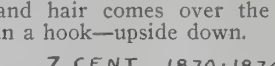
6 CENT. 1870: 1874.

REAY. PLIMPTON.

6 cent. *Reay.* Neck long at the back.

Plimpton. Neck short at the back and hair comes over the forehead in a hook—upside down.

7 CENT. 1870: 1874.

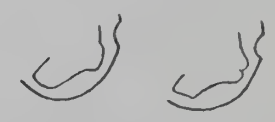


REAY PLIMPTON.

7 cent. *Reay.* The figures 7 do not curve up at the bottom.

Plimpton. The figures have an upward curve at the bottom forming a hook.

10 CENT. 1870-1874.



REAY. PLIMPTON.

10 cent. *Reay.* Knot of queue almost unnoticeable.

Plimpton. Die A. Known as the "Booby die." The head is very large, filling up the oval and coming very close to the frame.

——— Die B. Very similar to the Reay die, but the knot of the queue stands out quite prominently.

12 cent. *Reay.* G of POSTAGE has no cross bar; point of bust cut off square.

Plimpton. G of POSTAGE has a cross bar; point of bust is rounded.

15 cent. *Reay.* Head shows side whiskers.

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24 CENT. 1870; 1874.

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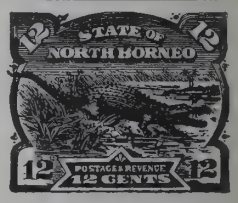

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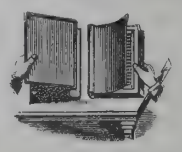

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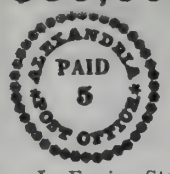

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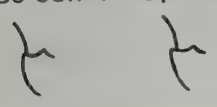

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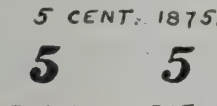
5 CENT. 1875.



DIE A. DIE B.

In 1875 a new value was engraved by the Plimpton Company, viz., 5 cents, which comes in two dies. Their distinctive features is the shape of the numeral which in Die A has a thick "flag," and in Die B a thin one. There is a third intermediate variety of numeral which is not listed in the Standard catalogue.

The Centennial envelopes are known to all. They were struck from two dies, one at the Hartford works of the Plimpton Company and the other in the Government Building at the Exposition. The latter, commonly called the Philadelphia Die, was damaged, and shows a double or split white line beneath POSTAGE, where the Hartford Die shows but a single one.

We have now described the varieties up to the time when letter postage was reduced to 2 cents on October 1, 1883. For this event a new 2-cent die was engraved of the same general design as the 3-cent Die B which was in use so long. The large colored letters on the engine turned ground will distinguish it from the succeeding 2-cent dies. It is generally known as the "October Die."

At the same time a 4-cent envelope was issued, but in a much neater and better-engraved design. There are two dies of this, differing mainly in the numerals, those of Die A measuring 2¾ mm across their widest part, and those of Die B measuring 3¼ mm. The former also come to a point at the left angle of the left figure 4, while the latter are blunted there.

The 2-cent die was unsatisfactory, and in November a new one appeared of the same general design as the 4 cent. Between the labels containing the lettering and the white frame lines will be found four wavy lines—two next the outer frame line and two next the inner one—which serves as its distinguishing feature. This is called the November die, but it did not prove much better than the previous one. The impressions were printed in red until May, 1884, when the color was changed to a muddy brown. This ink did not print as well and the dies deteriorated under its use much faster than before. The result was that in June the impressions showed the dies had been retouched, the white lines of the design having been thickened and the whole design having a coarse and blotched appearance which is very noticeable—in fact, more resembling the coarse impressions of the next (July) die than the original November die. Some of the differences, however are so marked that they must be ascribed to different dies though they are only listed as varieties of the "June" or "retouched" die, as it is called; yet they are as worthy of being given a "letter" under this design as the different dies of the 2-cent Plimpton, for instance.

There are three of these varieties, viz.: the "Two-link" variety, which has only two diamonds or "links" between the right oval containing the figure and the end of the label beneath, instead of two and a half as in the normal design; the "3½-link" variety, which has this number of diamonds between the left oval and the end of the label above it, instead of 2½ as in the normal design; and the "round-O" variety in which the O in TWO is a perfect circle.

There is one variety known as the "spread die," which seems to be a hybrid between the November and the retouched dies, as the left half of design shows the evidences of retouching in the wider lines and larger figures, while the right half has not been altered.

2 CENT. JULY 1884.

DIE A. DIE B.

In July, 1884, another design appeared, which followed the last one very closely, but is distinguished by having only *one* wavy line between the inscribed labels and the white frame lines. The white lines of the design are also heavier than the November (1883) die which is the reason the retouched (June) die somewhat resembles it. This is known as the "Kellogg Die," and it became very familiar and very monotonous to us all during its thirteen years of service. There are two varieties, Die A having the bust come to a point below the queue and Die B having it rounded off there, which makes the bust a little thicker at the back.

We now come to the issue of 1887, in which the uniform design, adopted for the four common values, is known as the "Tiffany Die." In the 1 cent there are two well-marked dies, which are not noted in the Standard catalogue, as well as several minor varieties. These two dies are distinguished A, by a larger bust inclined forward, no cross-bar on G of POSTAGE, and the side ornaments 4½ mm. long; B, by a smaller but more upright, G has the cross-bar, and the ornaments only 3 mm. long. The latter is the common one.

2 CENT. 1887.

DIE A DIE B.

The 2 cents also has two well-marked dies. Die A, commonly known as the "rejected die," has the point of the bust directed toward the *third* white tooth of the inner serrated line. (In the drawing the teeth are represented in black, for the drawing shows the *design* and the latter is given by the *white* lines in the solid color of the stamped impression.) There is no cross-bar to the G of POSTAGE. Die B has the point of the bust directed toward the *second* white tooth of the inner serrated line, which does not tilt the head back as before, and the G now has a cross-bar. There are several minor varieties, but the most noticeable is perhaps the "capped 2" variety, where the figure has a white cap very similar to that found on the capped varieties of the 2-cent adhesive of 1890.

5 CENT. 1887.

DIE A DIE B.

The 5-cent had but one die until 1894 when Purcell of Holyoke, had the contract. A new die then appeared which was distinguished from the previous one by the fact that there appeared to be no neck to the bust in front. Die A shows the neck between the coat and the chin, and also a button on the lapel in front of the shoulder strap. Die B has no button, and the coat comes directly up to the chin. This is called the "Holyoke Die."

In the meantime the Columbian series was issued, and in this design we find four varieties, though they are not listed in the Standard catalogue. As they are quite plain we give them in case any one is interested:

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2 CENT. 1899.

DIE A. DIE B.

We now come to the current issue, which made its appearance in 1899. In the 2-cent value we again find a "rejected die." This time, instead of being tipped too far back, the bust was tipped forward, so that in Die A the point of the bust comes down almost to the left upper corner of the shield containing the figure. In Die B the point of the bust is sharper and is directed between the first and second white teeth of the inner serrated line. (See remarks concerning the drawing under the 2-cent of 1887.)

The 4-cents has three dies which can be as well described as illustrated. Die A has a long, thin neck, with the "Adam's apple" showing; there is no draping in the bust, which ends in a point. Die B has a shorter, thicker neck, with no "Adam's apple," and the bust has draping on it with something in front resembling a necktie; the bust is not pointed, but blunt. Die C is unmistakable, as the head is large instead of quite small as in the other two, and there is *no* inner serrated line at all, thus departing from the original design.

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EDITORIAL.

A Welcome Compilation—In the *London Philatelist* for July 1910, there appeared a remarkable compilation by the Earl of Crawford, K. T., entitled, "Abstracts from the Specifications of Patents, connected with Postage and Revenue Stamps, granted by the United States Patent Office from 1863 to 1898." Lord Crawford, President of the Royal Philatelic Society, London, has one of the greatest special collections of United States stamps extant; and he gives close attention to the historical phases of the issues and his descriptive text makes a setting of engrossing interest for the stamps. The instalment of Abstracts from the Specifications of Patents under notice covers the period from 1863 to 1869. The first entry is: "Herron. 7-7-63. No. 39,147. Preserving Postage Stamps. (Out of print.)" Then follows specifications of "Gibson" and "Harmon" respectively, made in January and February, 1864, and these, too, are "out of print." The fourth is: "Harmon, Emanuel. 22-3-64. No. 41. 991. Mode of Cancelling Revenue and other Stamps. Nature of my invention consists in the clipping or cutting from the stamp the date or mark representing the approximation to the date and the year of its use as a method of cancellment. Figures a stamp. Around it are a series of letters and dots to show approximate date. Jan. begins at left lower corner and follows round with the sun. The dots are periods of five days, cancelled by snipping out portions of this outer frame, containing initials of months and dots, e. g., two dots snipped out showing date to be between 10 and 20 March. Claims.—The method of canceling combined with engraving months and dots on the stamps." The claims are illustrated by two sketches. In the following transcripts are the "grille" and "double paper" patents of Charles F. Steel of New York. It is needless to direct notice to the invaluable character of Lord Crawford's abstracts and we in America congratulate the learned author or compiler for his enterprise in providing in compact form these details that appeal so strongly to all those who have to do with United States issues.

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Improved Quality of Paper—Some months ago, Postmaster General Hitchcock appointed a committee to inquire into the question of the manufacture of a special or suitable paper for postal cards and to ascertain where it may be obtained. The personnel of the committee whose report will be available soon, no doubt, is: E. H. Thorp, Superintendent, Division of City Delivery; J. R. Harrison, Inspector-in-Charge, Washington Division, and Carter B. Keene, Post Office Inspector.

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The Real Thing—We take pride in the presentation of a bit of momentous news that is exclusive as well as of exceeding interest. We have told in the past of the race-horse, "Stamps;" of the Rev. Dr. Stamps and of Stamps, Arkansas, and now it is our privilege to record that at Brutus, Michigan, Mr. Filattely has his abode and engages in the pursuit of happiness. Hugh M. Clark says that he saw and spoke to this celebrity, but so paradoxically are some things ordered, Mr. Filattely is no stamp collector. J. W. Scott has long been called the father of philately but under the newer revelation, Filattely of Brutus, Michigan, is entitled to the honorable appellation, as, we take it, he has at least one son who must bear the proud patronym of Filattely.

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Postal Banks and Stamps—It is expected that the postal bank system will be in operation about November 1st, 1910, the board of experts selected by the postmaster-general to install the innovation having done much of the introductory work. It is provided by law that a stamp of the denomination of ten cents be issued and when nine of the stamps have been affixed to the card given to the prospective depositor, a certificate with the amount of one dollar will be punched out, the card on which the the stamps are placed counting as ten cents or one stamp. When "$10 have been punched in a certificate, it may be turned into the postoffice and another for $10 issued in its place. These final certificates are to be issued in denominations of $10, $20 and $50." The design of the ten-cent stamp which is said to be "exceedingly artistic" has been approved by the postmaster-general; and there will be a two-cent stamp for use on official correspondence relating to the postal banks, the design of which likewise has been accepted. At first the number of postal banks must be comparatively few as congress appropriated only $100,000 to meet the incidental expenses of installation of the system.

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Counts Up—As collectors know, the Post-office department now asks a small amount over the face value of the stamps in rolls or coils to pay for the extra work involved in their production. The added price of six cents a roll of five hundred stamps seems reasonable but the manufacturers of mechanical stamping devices are represented as being disturbed over the slight advance in price over face, as they fear that it may hurt the sale of their machines. The manufacturers are in a position to know how vast are the quantities of stamps that are used by some of the large concerns; and the additional twelve cents a thousand stamps may be considered an item of moment in some cases, although the small concern that mails but comparatively few letters would not notice the slight excess over face.

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Division of Opinion—The factory at Dayton, Ohio, where the United States stamped envelopes are made, gives employment to over three hundred persons and any proposed legislation that affects the industry in any way becomes a local matter of importance in Dayton. For many years past the printing and allied industries have been protesting against the practice of the post-office department of printing return requests on stamped envelopes for users of large quantities. Latterly, an impetus has been given to the movement against the government's method of encouraging the use of its envelopes through the concession that it makes and a bill widely endorsed has been introduced into congress for the abolition of the return request governmentally printed. We shall not recount the arguments that have been made in support of the bill; but we shall point out, following the lead of the Dayton *Journal*, that the bill has opponents as well as supporters. For instance, the Indiana Association of Presidential Postmasters "has just sent a vigorous memorial to congress, protesting against the legislation which proposes to abolish the government printing of stamped envelopes. The memorial claims that the printing of envelopes by the government instead of by private firms is a convenience to the public as well as a benefit to the postal service."

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Designs for new postage stamps have been under consideration for some time past, and it is probable that an announcement upon the subject may be made before very long.

It is considered likely that the first of the new stamps will be issued early next year. Although all the stamps will bear a portrait of King George, different designs may be accepted for stamps of various values.

Attention has been drawn repeatedly in recent years to the fact that in some colonies stamps have been circulated which bear other designs than the Sovereign's portrait. It is understood that in view of the tendency of stamps of this character to increase, certain remonstrances were conveyed to the governor of colonies and dependencies at the beginning of the last reign, and that in consequence the practice was abandoned in many cases. It is probable that the portrait of King George will be generally imprinted upon the postage stamps which will be issued in the course of the next few months in all parts of the Empire.—*London Times.*

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—The *Philatelic Gazette*, the new stamp paper, will make its initial bow in New York on the 15th of this month. It is promised that the first number will be an attractive one, and among the contributors are J. Murray Bartels, Victor M. Berthold, Edward H. Mason, Dr. Carroll Chase, C. K. B. Nevin and W. W. Randall. The new paper will be issued monthly and the subscription price will be 50c per year after October 1. It is to be published by The Philatelic Pub. Co., New York City.

—Clippings acknowledged with thanks from E. W. Smith, Geo. H. Quintard, H. W. Boers, J. M. Hubbard, C. E. Thomas, Economist Stamp Co., Henry Hoffman and Jacob Spiro.

—Geo. H. Quintard favors us with a clipping from the London *Daily Mail* picturing the new Newfoundland stamps. The cuts are not distinct enough for us to have a reproduction made from the same. The set, however, will be a very handsome one.

—The Penn Stamp Co., Moosic, Pa., would be glad to hear from any dealers having had unsatisfactory dealings with H. W. Walton or H. W. Jackson.

—The Frank P. Brown Co. has moved from 339 Washington Street to 325 Washington Street, and is now located nearly opposite the Old South Church.

—One of the attendants at the M. P. A. convention, Binghamton, N. Y., was H. W. Koons of Long Eddy, N. Y. Mr. Koons has passed the seventy mark in years but nevertheless gave the convention attendants an interesting talk upon his collecting experiences. The next convention of the M. P. A. will be held at Boonton, N. J.

—E. W. Smith, San Francisco, Cal., sends us an advertisement from the local *Examiner* which we reprint without comment: —

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—We have received from C. E. Thomas two clippings from the *London Times* dealing with the establishment of penny postage between England and France. Had we the space we should be glad to make extracts from the *Times* editorial, in which the project is given a hearty endorsement.

—Kenneth Heard submits two covers posted at St. Thomas, Canada, upon each of which a half of a two-cent stamp paid the postage. Such freaks are quite common.

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By W. C. Stone, Sec. Pro Tem.

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The Secretary reported that owing to lack of method in the previous conduct of the office he had had a busy time getting things in order during the year. This I can guarantee myself from a personal inspection of the so-called "records". Dr. Davis will find things in ship shape order, however, when he takes hold of the office. The present membership is 143.

The Treasurer reported receipts for the year of $168.46 and disbursements of $158.99, leaving $9.47 in the general fund. The insurance fund amounts to $43.66. Sales Manager Emery reported sales amounting to $170.88 with a large number of circuits still out. The foreign revenue section has done no business during the year. The Committee on Publications and Literature reported several new revenue publications during the year and called attention to various articles in the weekly and monthly press. The most important work of all is the catalogue of State Revenue Stamps of the United States compiled by J. D. Bartlett and published by the U. S. R. S. The revision and codification of our constitution and by-laws authorized by the last convention was adopted.

The meeting was held quite informally Thursday noon in the Museum of Art. As none of the regular officers were present, Herbert Bowen presided and the writer acted as Secretary. A full report will appear in the Year Book.

HE WROTE TO THE TIMES.

A correspondent signing himself "Voyageur" writes: —"The following trick was played upon me yesterday at the chief post-office at St. Moritz: —The hotel porter took my trunk to the post-office for the purpose of sending it to Castasegna on the Italian frontier. He conferred for some time with an underling at the post-office, who then made a charge to me of 3f. 30. On the trunk arriving at Castasegna, which is in Switzerland, I found that stamps to the value of 1f. 80 had been used. I have no doubt that the porter and the official shared the overcharge of 1f. 50, and I write this for the benefit of travellers."—*London Times.*

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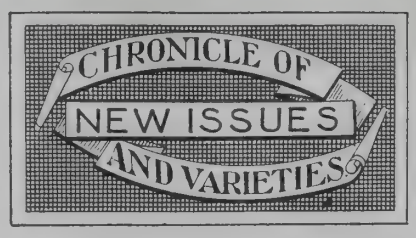

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AUSTRIA.—Frank M. Mason has shown us the commemorative stamps noted in No. 1026, and we find that the items taken from our foreign contemporaries, give a very incomplete idea of the new issue. The designs of the old issue have not been changed, or only the trifling amount necessary to make the new design complete and harmonious. The additions are, as stated, about 4 mm. wide and extending across the stamp. The dates "1830" and "1910" appear at the top and bottom respectively, the figures being in colorless, upon colored tablets. The values 1h to 35h are printed on a coated paper, and have the ornamental scroll work in the upper corners extended and added to so as to fill the extra space at the sides of the tablet containing the date. At the bottom the spaces at the sides of the tablet containing the other date, the 5h, 10h and 25h being alike, the others all different from the above three and from each other. This also applies to the lower ornaments on the 50h, 60h and 1k values. Owing to the different design of these three values, the ornaments at top and bottom are similar, though differing in detail. These three values are printed on a rough paper, as were the originals. The new stamps are 21x34 mm. for the values, 1h to 35h, and 21x39 mm. for the other three. We have not yet seen the other krone values. It is only fair to say that the appearance of the stamps has been greatly improved by the additions. The names of the designer and engraver appear below the frame as before. In the 60h value, the sky is lined.

Adhesives.
Surface Printed.
1h black.
2h violet.
3h red lilac.
5h yellow green.
6h buff.
10h rose.
12h vermilion.
20h brown.
25h deep blue.
30h olive.
35h slate blue.
Line Engraved.
50h deep olive.
60h deep carmine.
1h purple.

Philip Wolff reports having received the whole series up to and including the 10k.

BARBADOS.—*Ewen's Weekly* says that the 2d and 1sh values have been ordered in the new colors; and that the 5d and 10d withdrawn from use and the remainders destroyed at the end of 1910.

CONGO.—The stamps of Belgian Congo have been overprinted "Taxes" for use as postage due stamps, the *Postage Stamp* listing the complete set from 5c to 10fr.

DOMINICA.—*The Colonial Office Journal* says that the 1sh value has been sent out to the Island in the new colors.

DOMINION OF SOUTH AFRICA.—*Ewen's Weekly* says: What will be the title of the Union of South Africa? The United States of Australia had to adopt the title of "Commonwealth" to avoid clashing with the American "U. S. A." and "Union of South Africa," is open to the same objection. "British South Africa" recalls the Chartered Company; perhaps "Dominion of South Africa" will be chosen. Anyway the new stamps are expected in a few months and will settle the question. There is evidently to be only one set for the whole of the new Dominion, as in the meantime the stamps are being treated as interchangeable. A registered letter from Cape Colony, dated July 19, 1910, was franked with a 4d Queen's Head British Bechuanaland and two 1d Orange River stamps.

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FIJI ISLANDS.—*Ewen's Weekly* chronicles the 2½d in a single color.

Adhesive.
2½d blue.

INDIA.—*Travancore.*—A new value has been issued for this state, according to *Ewen's Weekly.*

Adhesive.
6 cash red brown.

JAMAICA.—The *Colonial Office Journal* says that the 3d and 6d stamps have been supplied on surfaced paper and in double fugitive ink, and also a supply of the 2½d, 4d, 1sh and 2sh stamps in the new colors.

NEWFOUNDLAND.—Supplementing the note in No. 1027, A. C. Roessler has given us further information regarding the new "Guy" issue of stamps for the Island. We are also indebted to the *Postage Stamp* for some of the information given below. Mr. Roessler says the new stamps were printed by Whitehead, Morris & Co. of London, and has been informed that if the American Bank Note Co. does any more work for Newfoundland, it must leave off its imprint, this being considered "an instance of Yankee enterprise, but scarcely in consonance with the dignity of a British Colony." The values and illustrations are as follows, though neither Mr. Roessler nor the *Postage Stamp* give the colors of the new stamps.

1c, Portrait of King James I of England who granted a charter to one John Guy, an alderman of Bristol city, to found a settlement in Newfoundland.

2c, The Arms—two crowned lions rampant and two chained unicorns—of the London and Bristol company which developed the settlement.

3c, The head of Alderman John Guy, the first to form a permanent settlement in the year 1610.

4c, The good ship Endeavour, upon which Guy sailed to Conception Bay.

5c, The town of Cupids, one of the chief centres of Newfoundland's great fishing industry.

6c, The head of Lord Bacon, the guiding spirit in the first colonization of Newfoundland.

8c, A view of Mosquito, a Newfoundland town, close to Harbour Grace, the second town in the country.

9c, A logging camp upon Red Indian Lake, with the spruce logs lying in the foreground, and at the back the rough shanties of the men.

10c, The great paper mills at Grand Falls. An excellent picture of the pulp and paper mills of the Anglo-Newfoundland Development Co. This stamp is particularly interesting as commemorating Newfoundland's new industry.

12c, The profile of King Edward VII.

15c, The portrait of King George, full face. The first stamp issued with King George's features upon it.

It is just 13 years since the issue by Newfoundland of its Queen Victoria Diamond Jubilee series, which also served to commemorate the fourth centenary of the discovery of the Island by Cabot. The new series have been printed in taille-douce, the *Postage Stamp* says, though they have the appearance of being lithographed.

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GREAT BRITAIN.—The *Postage Stamp* says that it has been decided to issue the new 2d stamps with head of King Edward, which have already been printed. The new printing in dark green and rose were to take the place of the new issue. *Ewen's Weekly* says the latter were printed from old plates, as the marginal lines are continuous instead of being disconnected as on the current plates.

NEW ZEALAND.—The *Postage Stamp* reports the 4d of the pictorial type has been reissued, with the frame in yellow, instead of yellow brown as formerly.

NICARAGUA.—We are also indebted to John P. Cooper for information regarding the provisional 5c on 10c chronicled in No. 1027.

ST. KITTS-NEVIS.—The 1sh stamps have been supplied for the first time on surfaced paper, according to the Colonial Office Journal.

ST. VINCENT.—The *Postage Stamp* reports the issue of the 2½d in the new type, with period after the "d."

SIAM.—*Ewen's Weekly* notes: The 1st July being the 25th anniversary of the admission of Siam into the Universal Postal Union, a special postmark was used on that day. It is a rubber stamp inscribed "1885—Postal Jubilee—1919+ Universal Postal Union+ 1, 7, 10," with an inner ring bearing the inscription in Siamese and Arms in the centre.

TURK'S ISLANDS.—A ¼d or one farthing stamp has been issued for the Turk's and Caicos Islands, both values appearing upon the stamp. "One Farthing" printed on a tablet running across the bottom of the stamp, while "¼d" is printed in tablet in each of the upper corners. "Turk's &"—"Caicos Islands" —"Postage," appears at the sides and top of the central oval, beginning at the left. The central picture is a representation of the Melocactus Communis or "Turk's Head."

Adhesive.
¼d lilac rose.

STAMP CONTRACT RENEWED.

Postmaster General Hitchcock has approved the renewal of the contract with the Treasury Department for printing and manufacturing adhesive postage stamps for a term of four years beginning February 1, 1911. A bid was submitted by a private concern for supplying the Department with postage stamps which was about $17,000 per year less than what is being paid under the present contract. It was deemed advisable by Mr. Hitchcock to renew the contract with the Bureau of Engraving and Printing for various reasons, principal of which is that a scheme is under way there which will reduce the cost of manufacture by $180,000 a year on a total expenditure of $625,000. The Bureau maintains a high standard of quality and output; it fills the requisitions of the Department promptly, and it carries enormous reserves, not being obliged to consider the amount of capital tied up, as a private contractor would have to. With the exception of stamped envelopes, the Government now manufactures all of its fiscal issues. Since the first of last January the postal cards have been printed at the Government Printing Office.

The Bureau of Engraving and Printing has been supplying the Department's postage stamps satisfactorily for sixteen years. During that time none of the difficulties which have attended the production of postal cards and stamped envelopes in private plants have been experienced as to adhesive postage stamps.

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Specials for This Week

		Cat. Pr.	My Price
85	Netherlands '99, 2½g brown lilac	$0.30	$0.12
81	New So. Wales '88, 8p red violet..	.15	.06
59	Hungary 3kr blue green	.08	.03
210	Philippine Islands.....	1.50	.74
37	Hayti '93, 20c brown	.10	.05
143	Cuba '91, 20c ultramarine	.75	.36

Do not fail to send for my Porto Rico Priced-List.

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Some Stamp Premiums

Honduras 1878, 1c to 1p, 7 var., cat. .78
" 1890, 1c to 1p, 11 var., cat. .50
" 1891, 1c to 1p, 11 var., cat. .47
" 1891, 2, 5, 10 pesos, cat. .60
" 1892, 1c to 1p, 11 var., cat. .46

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MATTERS PHILATELIC IN URUGUAY.

By A. H. DAVIS.

During our Postmaster-General's recent trip to Europe he noticed the great utility of the carnets, or little books of stamps, issued by the Postal Administrations, and as an experiment he had 5000 books prepared, containing stamps of the low values up to 8c, and issued them to the public, and so great has been their success that he is having another lot prepared. The business houses especially find them very useful, and as no charge is made for the book they are sure to become universally popular. The Uruguayan Post Office never charges for its stationery, post cards, envelopes, wrappers, etc., always being sold at their nominal value. This is the only South American Post Office which has adopted these carnets.

Among other projected reforms are the following:—Classification of correspondence from the port of origin, an increase in the number of post offices, important changes in the *Poste Restante* and *Dead Letter* Departments, more frequent delivery and collection of letters, the establishment of Postal Order and Parcel Post services with Spain, Brazil, and other countries, and the delivery of registered letters and packets at the houses of the addressees. At present the addressee receives advice of a registered letter, and has then to go to the General Post Office and produce his birth certificate or passport before he can obtain his letter. This system is, of course, most vexatious to those who are not known to the postal officials. In many respects our Post Office is sadly behind the times, but it is gradually coming into line with the more advanced Administrations. Until recently all stamps have been obliterated with a little handstamp, but a machine has been purchased from Molu and Weil, of Paris, which bears the date, hour, name of post office, etc., and it is reported to work with great rapidity. So great has been the increase of correspondence that some such reform had become an absolute necessity. It has been decided to publish a journal called *The Postal Telegraph Review*, in which will be published all Decrees relating to the postal and telegraph services, the regulations of the Administration, the notices received from the office of the U. P. U. at Berne, articles relating to telegraphs and telephones, and finally, a Post Office Guide to tariffs, itineraries, etc. This publication is to be issued immediately, and will be supplied to the Ministries, Civil Service Departments, Foreign Postal Administrations, Diplomatic Corps, the Uruguayan Consular Service, the local post offices, and the newspapers.

The privilege of cash payment for correspondence is now only allowed to the newspapers, so all business houses and private persons issuing circulars and price lists must pay ½c postage on each one, instead of paying only 5c per kilo weight. This will cause a great increase of revenue, and will bring about a very curious result, directly affecting stamp dealers and collectors, as the low values will become extremely common, and the higher values, 50c, 1 peso, and upwards, will become correspondingly rare; these high values were mostly used by the newspapers in paying their weekly postage bills, and practically no one ever writes such a bulky letter as to require, say, a 2 or 3 pesos stamp. I think for this reason our highest denomination is to be the 1 peso. *Apropos* of our long-expected new issue, I was authoritatively informed that it will not be put on sale until the end of June. As I think most of your readers are already aware, this is the Centenary year of Argentine Independence, and there are to be great festivities in Buenos Ayres, commencing from the 25th of May and lasting until September or October. A new Commemorative set of stamps is to be issued, and as Uruguay remained a province of the Argentine Confederation until August 25th, 1825, we are also to have a Commemorative set issued as a compliment to the Argentines. The order has been placed with Waterlow, the values will be 2c and 5c, and they will be on sale from the 22nd until the 29th of May. The design is copied from a painting by Carlos M. Herrera, which depicts a Centaur in an open country, with broken chains hanging from its limbs. In the background there is the indispensable "Mount" from which Montevideo takes its name, and over which apears the rising sun. I do not know what the colours are to be, as I have not seen the proofs.

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NEW CEYLON STAMPS.

Several of our contemporaries have made mention of a projected change in the stamps of Ceylon. Mr. C. Graham sends us from Colombo the particulars given below; he adds, however, a surmise that this projected scheme may undergo some modification owing to the death of his late Majesty, and the consequent necessity for a new issue in the near future.

The new stamps are to be of a uniform pattern as regards the design. The pattern to be the one used for all the present denominations, except the 2, 5 and 6 cents stamps, which are to be brought into conformity with it.

The duty to be shown in coloured figures on a white ground. The following scheme for colours has been recommended, retaining those required by the Postal Convention for the 3, 6 and 15 cents stamps:

Stamp. Rs. Cts.	Colour.	Colour of duty figure on a white ground.
2	Orange.	Blue.
3	Green.	Green.
5	Brilliant rosa.	Brilliant rosa.
6	Red.	Red.
10	Sage-green.	Purple.
15	Blue.	Blue.
25	Grey.	Grey.
30	Blue-purple.	Green.
50	Brown.	Brown.
1.00	Purple (on *yellow* paper).	Purple.
2.00	Red (on *yellow* paper).	Red.
5.00	Black (on *green* paper).	Black.
10.00	Black (on *red* paper).	Black.

The present 4c, 12c, 75c, Rs. 1.50, and Rs. 2.25 stamps are to be abolished.

The new denominations to be introduced are 10c, 50c, Re. 1, Rs. 2, Rs. 5, and Rs. 10.

There will be thirteen denominations of postage stamps which will be used for all postal and telegraph purposes.

Postage stamps of the old issue will be used until they are exhausted. A supply of the new postage stamps is due from the Crown Agents at the end of June next.

The scheme for substituting postal stamps for telegraph stamps will come into force probably from 1st July next.

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A. P. S. ANNUAL REPORTS.

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Boston (Mass.) *Herald.*
Milwaukee Sentinel.
Savannah (Ga.) *News.*
New Haven (Conn.) *Register.*
Birmingham (Ala.) *Age-Herald.*
Cleveland (O.) *Leader.*
Providence (R. I.) *Tribune.*
St. Paul Dispatch
Reading (Pa.) *Eagle.*
Houston Post.
Montgomery (Ala.) *Advertiser.*
Columbus (O.) *State Journal.*
New Orleans States.
Baltimore State.
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Terre Haute (Ind.) *Star.*
Topeka Herald.
Portland (Me.) *Telegram.*
Detroit News-Tribune.
Owensboro (Ky.) *Inquirer.*
Waynesboro (Pa.) *Herald.*

This list is far from being complete, as unfortunately all editors do not feel it incumbent on them to acknowledge the use of our articles.

The distribution through the publication *American Boy* has been continued and 10,000 packets have been supplied by this committee.

We have on hand for the use of next year's committee, electros of all folders, cards, envelopes, etc., used in this work, as well as a large quantity of printed folders, for which the funds have been lacking with which to purchase the stamps.

We wish to make the following recommendations to the next year's committee.

That the W. Dwight Burroughs articles be continued;

That the distribution of packets through the *American Boy* be continued and doubled;

That the distribution of the historical folders be continued on a larger scale;

That the appropriation of the American Philatelic Society be $50.00.

It will be seen that the committee has not been resting on its oars and that much thought and time has been expended on details that no one but the initiated can realize.

The committee desires to thank all members who have aided our work in any way, particularly the territorial committeemen; also the philatelic press, which has been more than kind in giving valuable space to our cause.

Particularly efficient service has been rendered this committee by Mr. A. W. Batchelder of Boston, who obtained for it nearly one-half of the subscriptions; and to Mr. Iver Johnson, our traveling representative, whose active brain and constant work is responsible for the various new ideas this committee was able to put into working order.

We are also thankful for the able assistance and advice given to us by our worthy and hard working President, Mr. H. N. Mudge.

Our fellow member of this committee, Mr. Iver Johnson, has seen fit to prepare a supplementary report to which the chairman and secretary could take no exception.

Trusting that the work of the committee can be largely increased in the coming year by more power in the shape of increased finances, we remain for the best interest of the society.

THE EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE,
By ITS GOVERNING BOARD.

PORTUGUESE INDIA "TETES BECHES."

J. W. MARSDEN in *Gibbons Weekly.*

The article headed "Tetes-beches," tempts me to send you a few observations on the stamps of Portuguese India mentioned in the same.

I have been going into the question of the printing of the native-made stamps, and have examined a number of sheets of 15 and 20 reis. The result of my investigations is that I consider the sheets were printed by hand *stamp by stamp*, with, in all probability, a guiding frame of squares. No other assumption can explain the settings, which I never found to be alike in two cases.

THE DRUMMER

will be published monthly and will contain stamps priced at very reasonable figures. Send for sample copy.

Number 1 contains over 400 bargains. Here are a few samples:

	19th CENTURY	Cat. Price.	Our Pr.
103	Abyssinia 1896, 4g brown, new..	$0.15	$0.03
104	1896, 8g violet, new.....	.20	.04
107	16g black, "	.25	.04
8	Angola 1870, 200r orange, new ..	.10	.06
16	1886, 5r black, new	.03	.02
17	10r green, "	.04	.03
18	20r rose, "	.08	.05
38	1898, 2½r gray, "	.02	.02
39	5r orange, "	.02	.02
42	20r violet, "	.05	.04
43	25r green, "	.04	.03
44	50r blue, used.....	.05	.04
1	Angra 1892, 5r yellow, new.....	.04	.03
5	1892, 25r green, used	.06	.03
14	1896, 2½r gray, new	.02	.02
15	5r orange, used	.03	.02
17	15r brown, new	.06	.04
19	25r brown, used.....	.03	.02
28	65r slate, "	.18	.10
1 to 4	Anjouan, 1, 2, 4, 5c, new	.08	.06
5	Anjouan 10c lavender, "	.05	.04
6	15c blue, new	.10	.07
4	Annam&Tonkin 1 on 2c br'n,new	.35	.15
8	Antigua 1873, 1d red, used	.50	.15
12	1882, ½d green, used	.10	.04
13	1d red, new	.12	.06
14	2½d brown, used	1.00	.40
17	1886, 1d red, perf. 12, used	.75	.25
18	2½d blue, new	.18	.10
19	4d brown, "	.25	.12
1	Argentine 1858, 5c red, new	.08	.03
2	1858, 10c green, new	.12	.06
3	15c blue, new	.18	.10
21a	1868, 15c blue, used	1.00	.35
24	1873, 30c orange, used	1.00	.40
26	90c blue, used.....	.12	.08
35	16c green, used.....	.06	.04
36	20c blue, used.....	.18	.08
41	1882, ½ on 5 red, new	.12	.05
42	½ on 5, perfs. in cen.,new	.50	.20
47	1884, ½ on 15c blue, new	.35	.20
48	1 on 15c blue, new.....	.75	.35
51	4 on 5 red, used.....	.40	.15

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The variations in shade of stamps on the same sheet are most marked, which can only be explained by supposing that the stamps were printed one by one. Not only do I believe that the stamps were printed in this manner, but also the figures of value.

I have seen a sheet of 15 reis (No. 37 in the Catalogue) in which *one* stamp in the sheet had the figures of value double and quite apart, and only one such case in about 60 sheets. Also a block of 10 reis (No. 39), where an extra figure "10" occurred between two stamps, all the stamps themselves having been correctly printed.

If these surmises are correct, the extreme rarity of *tetes-beches* can be explained. That the *tetes-beches* have the figures correctly placed may also perhaps be understood, as the printer would at once detect a stamp printed upside-down.

It may be said that this method of manufacture must have been very laborious, but forty years ago, with very cheap labour and a no great demand for stamps, this would be scarcely considered.

It would thus not necessarily follow that if a stamp existed *tete-beche*, unsurcharged or unperforated, it must also exist surcharged or perforated.

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PERU, Official, 1901, 10c black *, mint (No. 370)	1.25	.12
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THE DETROIT CONVENTION.

By Wm. C. Stone.

That the legislation reported by the by-laws committee was not hurried and gotten up on the spur of the moment without due consideration may be learned from the fact that the committee was in session from 9 P. M. Wednesday to 4 A. M. Thursday and that the new secretary and other prominent members were called in consultation to aid in their deliberations. The fact that every change recommended was adopted without opposition, not a roll call occurring during the convention, goes to show that the work was well done. From my experience at a score of conventions, at many of which I have served on the by-laws committee, I can say that I have never seen things run more smoothly than at this meeting.

President Mudge is a natural born diplomat and peacemaker, and the work done by him during the past year can never be fully appreciated by the members.

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Business meetings 1st Thursdays, exchange meetings 3rd Thursdays, each month, at Victoria Hall, 641 Lexington Av., 8 P. M. Initiation fee $1. Dues $2 yearly. Visitors welcome. All communications are to be addressed to the Secretary.

New York, Sept. 2, 1910.

President Skinner called the meeting to order at 9 P. M. The stamp bourse, in which quite a number of members participated, was put to a practical test, and proved successful beyond the expectations of even those who fathered the idea. The stamps offered were all in the finest condition and of a class that would suit all members, from the very humblest beginner to the most ardent specialist. The most interesting feature at the next meeting on Sept. 15th will be the competitive exhibition of the Philippine Islands. Visitors welcome.

Henry J. Dicke, Sec.

The New England Philatelic Association.

H. W. Legg, Pres.; Willis D. King, Vice Pres.; Alex. P. Brown, Sec. and Treas., 14 Longfellow St., Dorchester, Mass.; Wm. G. Bail, Edwin F. Sawyer and Chas. H. Stone, Governing Board; Chas. H. Stone, Edwin F. Sawyer, Ent. Com.

The regular monthly meeting of the N. E. P. A. will be held on the evening of Tuesday, Sept. 13th, 1910, at Room 322, Tremont Building, Boston, Mass. Meeting called to order at 8 P. M. prompt. As this is the first meeting for the 1910-1911 season, as large an attendance as possible is desired. Start the stamp season by attending this meeting. Always something doing at the N. E. P. A. gatherings.

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A. P. S. ANNUAL REPORTS.

Report of Educational Committee.

The Educational Committee, long known to all as the National Stamp Committee and later the Publicity Committee, is not supposed to hide its light under a bushel, but, as a matter of fact, it is expected to turn the most powerful search light of information and knowledge of stamp collecting on that part of the general public that knows nothing of the interest attached to philately; to educate it; and if possible to make it take part in our interesting and instructive pursuit.

The amount of power that an Educational Committee can turn on to its light and information plant depends entirely on the amount of fuel that it commands in the shape of finances, or, in other words, on the amount of money it has to spend.

The present committee could not get to work and show results until its financial power was turned on; since which, it has gone as far as possible with the limited power at its command, all of which has been consumed, the plant now being idle for lack of fuel.

The work done and results obtained are fully recorded in this, our yearly report, as follows:

Subscriptions.

American Philatelic Soc.,	$50.00
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Three subscriptions unpaid,	11.00
Net received,	$751.06

Financial Report.

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Subscriptions,	$751.06	
Publicity Com. of Columbus,	13.15	
Remittances, stamps rec'd account folders,	16.21	
		$780.00

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Advertising.

Jan. 11. Western Newspaper Union,	$12.00	
Jan. 21. David C. Cook Pub. Co.,	17.10	
Feb. 25. David C. Cook Pub. Co.,	17.10	
Aug. 4. Redfield's Boy's Ma,	50.00	
Aug. 4. B. D. Butler, Prairie Farmer,	10.00	
		$106.20

Educational Folders.

Feb. 10. E. P. Douglass 1M Phil.,	20.75	
May 28. Co-operative Press 1M Phil.,	19.80	
May 28. Co-operative Press 1M Aug.,	23.00	
Aug. 6. Co-operative Press 5M each sst. Phil. Aust., China,	124.25	
		$187.80

Stamps for Folders.

Feb. 15. Toledo Stamp Co. 1M Phil.,	15.00	
June 8. Toledo Stamp Co. 1M Phil.,	15.00	
June 8. Toledo Stamp Co. 1M Aust.,	7.50	
Aug. 4. F. W. Reid, Australia,	10.00	
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Packets to American Boy Mag.

June 30. 10,000 packets, S. S. & C. Co. (of this $26.00 was incurred by last year's com.),		$130.00
Electros.		
Aug. 6. Co-operative, 30 electros, etc.,		$25.34
Services of Secretary.		
Mar. 5. Hugh M. Clark,		$50.00
Newspaper Articles.		
Apr. 20. 20 W. D. Burroughs, Hunting in Africa,	$35.00	
May 10. W. D. Burroughs, Nicaragua,	35.00	
June 21. W. D. Burroughs, Comet,	35.00	
June 21. W. D. Burroughs, King George,	35.00	
Aug. 10. W. D. Burroughs, Education story authorized,	35.00	
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Miscellaneous,	11.65	
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Deficit,		$43.30

We call special attention to the wide circulation of the Burroughs articles which appeared in practically every large city throughout the United States. While it is impossible to obtain a complete list of all papers using these articles, the following will give one some idea of the immense number of readers who have had placed before them four articles concerning philately.

Newark (N. J.) *Call.*
Nashville Banner.
Washington Herald (D. C.).
Springfield (Ill.) *State Register.*
Seattle (Wash.) *Times.*
Salt Lake Tribune.
San Antonio Express.
Baltimore News.
Terra Haute (Ind.) *Tribune.*
Lincoln (Neb.) *Journal.*
Concord (N. H.) *Monitor.*
Albany (N. Y.) *Knickerbocker Press.*
Evansville (Ind.) *Journal News.*
Toledo (O.) *Times.*
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SPECULATIVE STAMP ISSUES.

By L. HARALD KJELLSTEDT.

The failure of British collectors to reach the International Postal Union with an officially supported petition against speculative and unnecessary stamp issues seems not to have daunted the spirits of those who were the instigators of the movement and renewed activity in this direction may be looked for. Last year the English committee made an appeal for support to the German "Philatelisten Tag" which convened at Carlsbad and the large German body of philatelists pledged their good will and coöperation. Why a similar appeal was not made to the largest national philatelic society in the world, the American Philatelic Society, is more than I know, but as we have "permitted" our government to market eight separate commemorative issues, and have shown undue interest in these issues, an assurance of our moral support would probably not be of much value to the cause of suppression.

The German "Philatelisten Tag", which recently met at Kiel, had the following questions for discussion:

"Is the issue of commemorative stamps of benefit to the issuing countries? To the collectors? To the dealers? Is the further issuing of commemorative stamps desirable or should it be suppressed?"

When data comes to hand I will be glad to acquaint the readers of the WEEKLY with the outcome of this discussion, which can be taken as a fair representation of the German opinion.

In the August number of *Der Philatelist*, published by the great "Internationaler Philatelisten Verein", Dresden, Mr. Victor Weinert proposes a most elaborate scheme for the suppression of speculative issues. The author claims that of all the ills to which philately is heir, the speculative stamp is the worst, and that these stamps can be considered the arch-enemy of our hobby. He claims to hear a daily complaint, in increasing volume, to the effect, that through the constantly growing number of commemorative, exhibition, and charity stamps, a representative general collection is becoming almost an impossibility. As he takes such a serious view of the situation, it may be of interest to outline the scheme which he offers as a remedy.

The most important step to be taken is the convincing of the beginner and the small collector of the danger to their hobby, which is lurking in the speculative issues. To accomplish this the philatelic press is to be urged to keep everlastingly at it and the societies are to thunder forth their anathemas in popular lectures. Speculative stamps should be excluded from the "New Issues" columns or be referred to in a way which will seem to discredit them with the collectors. A committee should be appointed to compile a catalogue of all speculative stamps heretofore issued, giving their history so that the collector can judge for himself. This catalogue should be given the widest possible circulation by being sent out with philatelic journals, price lists, albums, postage stamp catalogues, etc. The catalogue should have two divisions: purely speculative stamps, and speculative stamps of a milder degree. As samples of the former are mentioned the Roumanian exhibition and charity stamps of 1906, the Seebeck issues, the revolutionary issues of Crete and Venezuela, etc. Mentioned as being of the milder form, we find the yearly "subscription" series of Liberia, the "Miranda" and "Resellada" stamps of Venezuela, the 1904 commemoratives of Hayti, the last Nyassa issue, etc. The speculative stamps of the milder form should be listed in the regular catalogues but only in small type or within parentheses.

In order to carry out this extensive campaign it is proposed to organize a "Collectors' Protective League" composed of delegates from all the philatelic societies, philatelic experts, editors and individual collectors. Coöperating with this league should be a "Dealers' Protective League" which should see to it that no speculative stamps are offered for sale by reputable dealers, and every member must pledge himself to exclude such stamps from his stock. Dealers and collectors in other countries should be approached and urged to take similar steps as it is necessary that the movement becomes as international in nature as philately itself. The last number in the program is a mass petition to the International Postal Union signed by hundreds of thousands of collectors the world over.

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out, would go far towards obtaining the desired results, but—can it be carried out? I am afraid not, because it would undoubtedly be tripped up on that old stumbling block—human nature. American collectors would be pleased to vote the exhibition series of Roumania and a few others off the list, but when it comes to our own exhibition series and commemoratives I am afraid the vote would be too sotto voce to be heard abroad. The Philatelic Society of Buenos Ayres would find it hard to condemn the commemorative issue it was instrumental in creating. British collectors may also be interested in some of their colonial issues, the postal necessity of which is not apparent to collectors in other countries. The French collectors would have a sad time in weeding out their colonial rubbish, and the Hollanders would have to sacrifice a few things.

I have only mentioned a few countries of eminent philatelic respectability. I dislike to contemplate what will happen when the proposition is broached to Central and other South American collectors. It is a puzzle how anyone can seriously consider the possibility of eliminating all these special interests which are being nursed and backed up by collectors of various nationalities the world over. The speculative issues which have already appeared will be collected, and bought, and sold, as long as there is anything left of them, and theonly thing we can hope to accomplish is the prevention of future issues. Attacks en masse on the International Postal Union may ultimately bring about the desired results. The purely speculative issues are a nuisance but this is probably the worst that can be said of them. I find it very hard to believe in their supposed annihilating effect on philately and stamp collecting. The general collector is claimed to be the chief sufferer. The boy collector will take anything that comes along until he knows better. When he knows better, he soon finds out that the regular issues of the world are as far beyond his dreams of contemplation and if this fact does not cause him to give up in despair, I fail to see why the speculative rubbish should. Developed into a specialist, he is not liable to select a country which is overrun with issues of doubtful nature. If a collector is a fool, no organized committee of philatelic guardians can prevent him from collecting, and spending his money in a foolish way.

A commemorative issue of low values, with interesting designs and finely executed, I have always considered the best incentive to stamp collecting there ever was, and in our own country this has been proven a fact acknowledged by the postal authorities themselves. If England and Germany possessed a few line engraved commemorative stamps to counteract the monotony of their inartistic stamp productions of later years, there would probably be less talk on the subject. As far as our own commemoratives are concerned, they were unnecessary from a postal point of view but no sane person can call them speculative. In their relation to stamp collecting, they stand as the greatest recruit winners we ever had.

—R. F. Chambers, of Providence, R. I., sends the WEEKLY a fine pictorial card from Innsbruck, mailed with one of the new commemorative Austrian stamps.

—Felipe Naveda sends us clippings from a Mexico newspaper illustrating and describing the new commemorative issue of Mexican stamps.

A DEFENCE OF AMERICAN JOURNALISM.

On our own side of the Atlantic we are perhaps too apt to criticise the philatelic journals of America as being scrappy and unscientific. The *Philatelic Record* has been the latest British journal to voice a criticism of this kind, and a contributor to the *Philadelphia Stamp News* pens what is unquestionably a very reasonable and dignified reply. While admitting that British stamp papers publish articles which are more able and scholarly than those appearing in the journals of the United States, Mr. A. Kitselman—the writer of the *Philadelphia Stamp News* reply—contends that American publishers and editors simply give their readers what they want. He says:

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I was going to quote some more, but I think I will stop there. "Sublimated effusions of the philatelic occultist" is distinctly precious. I commend the line to the publicity manager of the *Philatelic Record*, if our oldest philatelic magazine has a publicity manager, as a good line for the poster, if the *Philatelic Record* ever issses posters.

After all I suppose it is rather an impertinence on our part to be hyper-critical regarding American stamp magazines. It is all a question of supply and demand. If the American collector does not like them he wont subscribe to them—it's his funeral not ours! He wont buy trivialities and personalities if he is hankering after the sublimated effusions of philatelic occultists, will he?—*Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly.*

U. S. STAMP COLORS BAD FOR THE EYES.

Clipping from THEO. J. HEYL.

The current issue of U. S. postage stamps was condemned because of the colors by the National Association of Post Office Clerks at the recent session of its eleventh annual convention at Saratoga. The colors were said to be hard on the eyes. A resolution was adopted favoring stamps with radically varying colors for different denominations in order to facilitate work at the offices.

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Mr. Albrecht tells us that these stamps, which were produced by M. Hulot, the printer of the French stamps, were in sheets of three hundred, two panes of a hundred and fifty, like the stamps of France, and with the same *blue* control mark in the margin, and he suggests that as one of the inverted stamps was in the same position as one of those on the sheets of the 20c of France, the other may also have occupied a similar position to that on the latter, and in that case it would be the third stamp in the fourth horizontal row. But, according to M. Marconnet, this was the arrangement of the last printing of the 20c stamps of 1853 and the first of those of 1862, which were obsolete for some time before 1871, and the theory assumes that M. Hulot inserted *clichés* upside-down on purpose (which is considered doubtful by some), and that, in making up the plates for the Guatemala stamps of 1871, he returned to the arrangement of an old plate which—M. Marconnet tells us—underwent divers modifications after the introduction of perforation in France in 1862.

M. Hulot's method, or absence of method, in the matter of inverted *clichés* in his plates, is still a mystery to philatelists, and one that is likely, we fear, to remain unsolved; but it is some satisfaction to have learnt the position of one of the inverted stamps in the sheets of Guatemala. It is curious that, at the time when these stamps were issued, no one seems to have noted the fact that there were inverted impressions in the sheets. The stamps were chronicled and fully described in *Le Timbre-Poste,* but we can find no mention at all in that journal of the 5c *tete-beche.* It is not listed in Moens' Catalogue of 1877, but appears in the edition of 1884.—*Gibbons Weekly.*

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In the race of the Colonies to produce the first portrait stamp of the Georgian reign it looks pretty certain that the Union of South Africa is going to run Newfoundland close. As stated in a "stop press" note in last week's *Postage Stamp*, a new stamp is now nearly ready for despatching to Pretoria to be ready for issue when H. R. H. Duke of Connaught opens the new Parliament. From the description of the design we may at least expect something vastly more attractive than the last commemorative stamp of the Transvaal issued in 1896, to mark the introduction of penny postage. That was a grotesque production from the artistic and pictorial point of view.—*Postage Stamp.*

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—Harry L. Perkins, who recently removed to Chicago will continue his stamp business from that city, he having been obliged to suspend his philatelic activities in Hartford, Conn. Owing to conditions arising from financial complications that resulted through no fault of his own, Mr. Perkins was compelled to devote his time to other matters, temporarily, to the exclusion of philately; now, however, he is giving his attention to details that could not be attended to previously.

—Certain English papers are advocating the printing of a Dickens label, to be sold at one penny, the proceeds to be used to aid several of the great author's grandchildren who are in straightened circumstances "through no fault of their own." The *Strand* argues that every owner of a Dickens book would patronize the project, thus realizing a tidy sum. One correspondent suggests a book plate, which seems much more sensible and appropriate. — Clipping received from *N. Y. Evening Post*, by courtesy of M. A. Lesser.

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THE EMPIRE OF MOROCCO: ITS FOREIGN AND PRIVATE POSTS.

By Fred W. Edwards.

The philatelic history of a country closely reflects and illustrates its political history, its form of government, and often even the customs and characteristics of its national life. In no other could we find more substantial evidence of this close inter-relation of philately and history than in the Empire of Morocco.

The government of Morocco is an autocracy, subject to religious influences, which severely repress all progress; and the general system is as corrupt as the people who administer and endure it.

From such a government, and from a people notorious throughout several centuries for brigandage and piracy, no properly organized postal service could be expected, and the natural and almost inevitable outcome of this lack of proper postal facilities was the establishment of Foreign Post Offices, supplemented by private courier posts—the latter system giving rise to abuses, corruption, and stamp speculation, with the result that practically all the "Local" stamps, good and bad alike, are under a ban and have incurred the disfavour of philatelists.

In Morocco, not only does the postal system illustrate a reactionary and corrupt system of government; but the picturesque stamps of the private posts illustrate the characteristics of the country and the Moorish people, by many dainty designs depicting camels, dromedaries, lions, palm trees, Moors, mosques, landscapes and seascapes.

The Empire of Morocco is situated in the north-west of Africa, and includes the former kingdoms of Fez and Morocco; the area of the country is about 220,000 square miles, the population is estimated at about seven millions, and the present ruler is Sultan Muley Abdul Aziz, who succeeded in 1894.

While Morocco has no proper Government postal system, there are services under the control of the British, French, German and Spanish Governments; and besides these foreign post offices there were various private posts which flourished between 1892 and 1900 and exploited the resources of the country in general and philatelists in particular, and by the latter were therefore condemned to everlasting execration.

But let it be remembered that these Moroccan private posts were by no means the worst stamp-speculating sinners; for, prolific as they were, all their records for number of varieties are easily eclipsed by the British P. O.'s in Morocco, from which no fewer than 87 standard varieties were issued from 1898 to 1907—and there are more to follow.

The foreign posts of Morocco claim priority of place on account of their greater importance, the higher status of their issues, and last, but not least, the greater number of their varieties; but we shall deal with the private posts at rather greater length, because they are known and even less loved!

BRITISH P. O.'S IN MOROCCO.

Great Britain competes with France, Germany and Spain in running courier mails along the coast of Morocco; and our own country has a long lead of the other powers as regards the number of varieties issued.

The first specially surcharged stamps for the British Agencies in Morocco were issued in 1898, when the contemporary stamps of Gibraltar, bearing values in Spanish currency (100 centimos=1 peseta=about 7d), were overprinted at the office of the *Gibraltar Chronicle*, with the inscription, "Morocco Agencies"; and no fewer than 70 varieties of overprinted Gibraltar stamps were issued for the British offices in Morocco during the period 1898-1906; and in 1907 a set of eleven contemporary stamps of Great Britain (King Edward VII.) were overprinted with the same inscription, but with the addition of new values in the Spanish currency. There was however a set of seven of our late King's stamps overprinted with the inscription "Morocco Agencies," but without any overprint of new values, and these latter labels are said to be for parcel post.

THE FRENCH P. O'S.

To our neighbors across the Channel belongs the distinction of having issued the first series of overprints for Morocco; for as early as 1891 a long set of the familiar French "Peace and Commerce" stamps were overprinted simply with a new value in the Spanish currency, there being, curiously enough, no name overprinted to indicate the issuing of these stamps specially for Morocco. These stamps were succeeded by a special series bearing the inscription "Poste Francais Maroc," with overprinted values in Spanish currency, and curiously enough the overprinted "centimo" values correspond numerically with the original "cents" values on the contemporary French stamps; and this numerical identity holds good in all the values except the higher ones in "pesetas."

And whilst speaking of currency we might here express how grateful and comforting is our feeling that the following outlandish currency has never been adopted for the currency of any Moroccan stamps:—1 Mitkal=10 ounces =40 blankeels=24 floos=slightly over 3d. What a "money" table! Fancy asking for a "ten ounce" postage stamp!

The stamps of the "Sower" type of France overprinted "Maroc Gouvernement Provisiore 1907" are bogus. Speaking of bogus stamps of French origin, we might also mention that most of the private posts of Morocco were run by enterprising French firms, as is evident by the characteristic French inscriptions "Postes," or "Chiffre Taxe" (Postage Due), found on most of these private locals; whilst those of Spanish origin are distinguished by the familiar Spanish inscription "Correos."

THE GERMAN P. O.'S.

Though the "Fatherland" was about eight years behind France in the surcharging of stamps for the Moroccan mails, the Germans soon made up for lost time in the competition for quantity of varieties, for during the period 1899-1907, there were 46 varieties of contemporary German stamps overprinted with the inscription "Marocco," and new values in Spanish currency.

THE SPANISH P. O.'S.

Last and least of the foreign offices in Morocco come those maintained by the Spanish Government, and only thirteen varieties of Spanish stamps were overprinted "Correo Espanol Marruecos," and this set of thirteen values (¼c—10 pes.) covers the period 1903-9. We might also mention that in the Spanish fortified seaport and convict settlement of Melilla, on the north coast of Morocco, special stamps of heraldic design were issued in 1894 for the Spanish soldiers in the garrison.

THE PRIVATE AND LOCAL POSTS.

Having now briefly reviewed the three hundred odd issues of the foreign offices in the Empire of Morocco, we have next to consider a group of about 150 varieties of stamps issued in the private local posts of that troubled coun-

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EDITORIAL.

Great Britain's Move—The new contract for printing of the British stamps beginning with the first of the coming year that was awarded to Messrs. Harrison & Sons was made the subject of an interesting article by our English correspondent in so early an issue as the WEEKLY of August 6th. The English stamp papers are giving due attention to the impending change and the general tenor of comment is commendatory, although a sentimental regret is expressed that DeLaRue & Company, a firm so long and honorably associated with the surface-printed stamps is to be supplanted. It has been remarked that there is a strong probability that under the new regime, steel-engraved stamps will be prepared. While the postal department of the United Kingdom is maintained on successful and economical lines, yet it is thought that in view of certain exposures of the comparative ease with which the flat-printed stamps may be counterfeited, the government will adopt the greater security afforded by the method of taille douce printing, as a practical and a precautionary necessity. The *London Philatelist* says: "Great countries like Canada and the United States show us the way herein, and even if the expense of steel-engraved stamps be somewhat in excess of others, if those great countries consider the outlay justifiable, surely Great Britain can follow suit."

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Aftermath—The official reports made at the American Philatelic Society convention and which the WEEKLY felt it was its duty to present as early as possible have required so much space that what may be called the convention incidentals have been crowded out of successive issues, until now their timeliness has been so impaired that it is scarcely worth while to publish them. Furthermore the great Parnassus Penflip who covered the personal side of the convention has shown a shameful lack of confidence in the financial good intentions of the WEEKLY as he sent his manuscript C. O. D.; and rather than indulge even Penflip in his miserable suspicions, we have refused thus far to advance the amount necessary for the release of the budget. This proper stand will be applauded, we are sure, although there may be some who would say that principle should have been subverted in the case of the exceptional Parnassus Penflip. It is possible, of course, that should we get together the needed dollars, the manuscript will be accepted, but the wound inflicted by Penflip will remain.

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A View in 1855—When the pre-payment of postage was made obligatory in this country in 1855, there was a loud outcry made by some of the members of the public against the oppressive measure as it was described. In print, in newspaper and in pamphlet, what was termed the onerous restriction was fulminated against and from the counterblast of a pamphleteer, we take the following words: "The object for which this law was passed I have not mentioned. It was done to bring about more security, and a greater simplification of the money accounts of the Postmasters. It only partially accomplishes that object and the same would be accomplished in another way. I am obliged here to refer to a better regulation in the British Post Office; and that is, to require all letters to be prepaid by stamps or sent unpaid and when sent unpaid to be charged with double postage. If it was the intention of the framers of this law to make all the money accounts of Postmasters simply a sale of stamps, they failed. All the following items of postage are received in cash: the postage on regular newspapers and periodicals; on transient printed matter, when not prepaid by stamp; the registration fee of registered letters; and any excess of postage on letters that bear too few stamps to pay the entire postage. Now it must be evident to the most ordinary capacity that the entire financial object sought to be accomplished would have been done to the same extent under the rule adopted in Great Britain—prepaying all letters by stamp, or sending them unpaid—except the object of stopping all letters and destroying them because they did not happen to be postpaid. It is virtually declaring that, in the very imperfect machinery of the United States' Post Office, if Government thought thrice the thousand agents does not supply the public with stamps, then our citizens shall not have their letters carried. The Law and the Government virtually say to the citizen: 'If convenient, if accident does not prevent; if speculators do not get ahead of us and buy up our stamps; if we happen to keep a supply; if you can and will purchase these stamps and use them; if you will not be so unreasonable as to wish to mail a letter at night or on Sunday when you have no stamp and can get none to pay the postage; if when letters are mailed the stamps do not fall off by accident; if your servants do not take them off; if our Post Office clerks do not steal them—in none of these things or any other unlooked for events happen to take place—if all these circumstances are propitious, your message shall go."

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Still at It—Continuing, the opponent of the compulsory use of postage stamps says: "We will not carry your letters in the absence of any or all of the forms laid down; we will not trust you by carrying your letters and holding on to them till we get our pay; we will not consent to their going in the mail with the stipulation that they shall be charged double or quadruple price at the end of the journey. No! if your letters under any circumstances are found in a Post Office, without having had the postage paid in stamps, we will sieze them, and we will not even inform you that we have them, but we will take them to a place called Washington, and there after due delay and long ceremony, a fire shall be kindled, and they with many million others, shall be burned to ashes; and you may, if you please, write more letters but you shall give them to us to transport; and you shall not set up a private post to carry your own and your neighbor's letters, for if you do you shall suffer a severe penalty."

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Old Postal Lore—The partizan whom we have quoted went to an extreme in his zeal to portray vividly the inconveniences of the abhorrent enactment, as while the act of March 3rd, 1855, made no provision for unpaid letters to places within the United States, postmasters were directed "on the same day or day following any such unpaid letter or letters being put into a Post Office, the Postmaster thereof will post up conspicuously in his office a list of the same, stating that they are held for postage. If not attended to, such letters must be returned monthly to the Dead Letter Office." Perhaps it is not incumbent upon us to explain that items relating to the early postal history of the United States are favored not necessarily for any inherent value that such vagrant paragraphs may have, but also with the idea of providing commentary reading for the collector who may find general information in them and of reflecting the "atmosphere" of by-gone days. It often happens that the reader finds an explanation of a specific point over which he puzzled through an item of general significance.

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An examination of the new edition shows that the intelligent and progressive policy of the publishers is more effectively recorded than ever before, if possible. The thorough treatment of the stamps in text is re-enforced by illustrations in profuse number of details in type variation. It is readily apparent that the aim of the makers is to render plain all the obscurer points that puzzle the average collector; and so, as a book of reference, the Senf catalogue, although in German, will be found valuable to American collectors. We should judge that in consequence of the wide knowledge and huge stock of the great house of Senf, the prices are placed fairly and equitably, but this is a subject that preferably each buyer of the book should decide for himself. We select three interesting stamps at random, giving the new Senf quotations in marks, be it understood: Philippines, 1903, $5 surcharged, .75 unused, .80 used; Cayman, 1908, 4d, multiple, king, .12, unused, 13.50, used; United States, 1847, 5c, used, 7.50.

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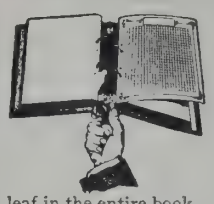

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"Rivers from bubbling springs
Have rise at first; and great from abject things."

It is neither my place nor my purpose to sermonize, yet the very smallness of my subject—a mere postage stamp—seems to call for some apology. We are all prepared to agree that

"There's something in a flying horse
And something in a huge balloon."

But what possible interest can there be in so "unassuming a commonplace" of life as a postage stamp? In the course of an hour or so I hope to show you how much we owe to the postage stamp, in the realms of commerce, knowledge and religion, how interesting many of the existing specimens are, and how valuable they are as marking the progress of the greatest social and commercial movement of the last century—the Penny Post. Postage stamps are small things, but the Roman historian has told us that it was by not despising the small things that their forefathers made the commonwealth so great. Little things make up the happiness or misery of mortal life, or as Hannah More puts it, "trifles make the sum of human things." And, lest there be any who disdain to consider trifles, let me give them a timely warning of their doom. Says Goethe:

"The man who small things scorns will next
By things still smaller be perplexed."

Or, in the more emphatic words of Ecclesiasticus: "He that despiseth small things will fall by little and little."

Forerunners of the Adhesive Postage Stamp.—Before 1840 various kinds of wrappers had been used for postal purposes and these are the ancestors of the ubiquitous article we know as the postage stamp. A private post was established in Paris in 1653 by a Mons. Valayer, with the full permission of the king. This post, which is the one referred to by Voltaire as the two sous post, supplied special bands which the sender wrapped round the letter. These bands bore a printed formula to be filled up by the sender, giving particulars of addressee and date of despatch. No specimen of this wrapper is known to exist, as the covers were taken off and destroyed by the commissionaire who delivered the letters.

A suggestion was made to start a similar post with special wrappers in Brussels in 1776. But the Governor would not have it, for he said the aristocracy could send letters as often as they liked by their servants, and other people—well, they might send them as best they could.

In Sardinia, wrappers with an embossed design were used in 1818, but these did not exactly serve to defray postage, but were rather used as a tax upon letters. Messages conveyed by private carriers had to be enclosed in these wrappers, so that while the Government took the money, they didn't do the work.

The Mulready Envelope.—In 1836, our colony of New South Wales issued stamped envelopes, and in 1840 the famous Mulready envelope was issued in Great Britain. As this was the immediate forbear of the postage stamp, its reception by the public had no little effect upon the success of the little label which superseded it.

In spite of the commendations of the Royal Academicians, the public had nothing but ridicule for Mulready's envelope, and it is easy to see that, while artistic in the highest sense, it was in no way suitable for the ordinary matter-of-fact business of letter writing. The newspapers put forth all their skill and sarcasm against the envelope and its designer. Although an artist whose execution was admirable and whose pictures are still looked upon with high appreciation, it has been said that the fame of Mulready has been handed down to posterity *in an envelope.*

Mulready had a meaning for every figure he introduced into his picture, but each seemed to call for an equally sarcastic interpretation from his critics. I will give you a few quotations from one poetic piece of sarcastic description:

Britannia is sending her messengers forth
To the east, to the west, to the south, to the north:
At her feet is a lion wot's taking a nap,
And a dish cover rests on her legs and her lap.
To the left is a Mussulman writing a letter,
His knees form a desk, for want of a better.

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To the right is the King of the Cannibal Islands
In the same pantaloons that they wear in the Highlands.
Some squaws by his side with their infantile varmints,
And a friend in the front who's forgotten his garmints.
Frost, William and Jones have this moment been hooked,
And are fixing the day they would choose to be cooked.
Below to the left, as designed by Mulready,
Is sorrow's effect on a very fat lady.
While joy at good news is plainly descried
In the trio engaged on the opposite side.

Paving the way for the Postage Stamp.—The ridicule which was bestowed upon the unfortunate envelope had one important effect. It opened the way for a hearty appreciation of the utility of the little postage stamp issued at the same time.

I must not enter into the famous quarrel between the rival inventors of the postage stamp. From a picture post card I received not long ago, it would seem that the hatchet has not yet been buried, for here in all the latterday glory of a coloured postcard—made in Germany—we find the two champions asserting their rights in the prize ring. There can be no doubt, however, that it was to Rowland Hill's efforts that we are indebted for the greater part of the scheme of Uniform Penny Postage, and he bore all the brunt of criticism and no little share in the work involved.

The Ingoldsby Legends, which were first collected in volume form in 1840, contained a humorous allusion both to the stamps and the Mulready envelopes. The stamps were referred to as Queen's Heads:—

The manager rings,
And the prompter springs
To his side in a jiffy, and with him he brings
A set of those odd looking envelope things,
Where Britannia (who seems to be crucified) flings
To her right and her left funny people with wings
Amongst Elephants, Quakers and Catabaw Kings,
And a taper and wax
And small Queen's heads in packs,
Which when notes are too big you're to stick on their backs.

Criticisms of the Adhesive Stamp.—While the little postage stamp leapt into general favour there were one or two curious objections raised to it, which it is interesting to re-call. In the *Morning Herald* it was said that but for the unlucky perversion of the Royal features the penny post sticking plaster might appropriately have come into fashion and superseded the Court sticking plaster, so common for the concealment of trifling cutaneous cracks on the face of beauty. It is shrewdly suspected (continued the *Morning Herald*) that this untoward disfiguration of the Royal person has been the studied work of ministerial malevolence and jealousy, desirous of rendering their royal benefactress as odious as themselves.

But perhaps the most pertinent criticism of the new postage stamps came from a schoolboy. This "Eton stripling" asked his sister "Have you tried the stamps yet? I think they are very absurd and troublesome. I don't fancy making my mouth a glue pot, although to be sure, you have the satisfaction of kissing, or rather of slobbering over the back of Her Gracious Majesty the Queen. This is, however, I should say, the greatest insult the present ministry could have offered the Queen."

The success of the little label however was assured. During the first fifteen years of their existence over 3,000,000,000 specimens were required to supply the demand in Great Britain. So great are the postal needs of today that the annual supply of stamps in Britain amounts to over seven thousand millions.

Other Countries Follow Suit.—A private post in America copied England's idea in 1841, and soon afterwards the Governments of other countries began to fall in line. Today there are something like 23,000 distinct varieties of stamps which have been issued by the Governments of the civilised world.—*Postage Stamp.*

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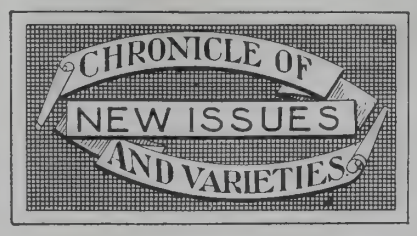
BRITISH CONGRESS IN 1912.

The Junior Philatelic Society is taking time by the forelock in announcing an exhibition in connection with a Congress to be held two years hence. It will be remembered that this enterprising society has previously held exhibitions in 1901, 1905 and 1908. The resolutions adopted by the Society are as follows:

As four years will have elapsed since the third (Caxton Hall) Exhibition of 1908, it is proposed

(1) That the Society shall organize an Exhibition on a public scale for 1912 (Spring) to commemorate the Jubilee of the birth of Philately.

(2) That the Fourth British Congress of Philatelists shall be invited to meet under the auspices of the Junior Philatelic Society in London during the period the proposed Exhibition shall be open.



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Any information regarding new issues will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Address HENRY A. KIDDER, 17 Addison St., Arlington, Mass. Letters calling for a reply should contain a self-addressed, stamped envelope. We cannot give applicants the addresses of our correspondents.

UNITED STATES.—Charles M. Brider shows us specimens of the current 2c stamp on very much thicker paper than usual.

George W. Swinburne reports having found the 5c 1907 in an indigo shade of blue. Mr. Swinburne also writes:

"While looking over a lot of stamps of the 1907-09 issue I came across what seems to me to be a difference in the printing worth mentioning. If you will look closely at the button on the draperies of the neck of the bust you will see that a thin line of color extends from that point to a point coinciding with the ribbon about the lower end of the wreath on the left. The difference is that in some of the specimens that I examined that line was missing. On examining the other values of the set I made the following notes:

2c with and without line.
3c with line only.
4c both with and without line.
5c with line only.
6c both with and without line.
8c with line only.
10c without line only.
13c with line.
15c with and without line.
50c without line.
$1 with line.

Of the 13, 50 and $1 values I only examined one copy of each, so that I can make no definite statement in those cases."

The New England Stamp Co. has shown a cut square envelope, Scott's No. 1302, Die 2, with the "R" of "Three" changed to a perfect "P".

AUSTRIA.—Philip Wolff writes:

"The current Austrian stamps will be of much interest to the specialist. Below is a list of various varieties made up in conjunction with articles in the *Illustriertes Briefmarken Journal* of Dec. 19, 1909, and April 9 and 23, 1910:

Austria, 1908 Dues—Shiny or glazed paper, 1h, 2, 4, 6, 10, 20, 30, 50, 100h. Ordinary thick paper, 4, 6, 10, 25, 30, 50, 100, 20h. Ordinary thin paper, 1, 2 and 20h.

Austria Newspaper—Shiny or glazed paper, 2, 6, 10, 20h. Ordinary thick paper, 2h. Ordinary thin paper, 2, 6, 10, 20h.

Levant, 1908 Dues — Dark Russian green on shiny paper, ¼pi to 30p. Clear green on shiny paper, ¼pi to 30p. Dark green on ordinary thick, ?. Dark green on ordinary thin, ¼pi to 30pi.

The Levant dark Russian green on shiny paper is an extremely rare set.

BAVARIA.—The 1910 set has been reported of same design as those dated "09" but Mr. Morse has the 5pf with all printing on the right hand half and a single heavy perpendicular line in middle of card.

Post Card.

5pf green on buff; "10" var.

BRAZIL.—The sale of the recently issued Pan-American stamps has been stopped for the present, the reason given being that Portugal has objected to them as being contrary to postal convention in regard to size, and letters prepaid with these stamps addressed to Portugal have been treated as unpaid and charged double postage. This makes the second time these stamps have been withdrawn for apparently trivial reasons.

BULGARIA.—A. W. Dunning reports having a vertical pair of Scott's No. 76, perforated all around, but imperforate between stamps.

U. S. 1898 Revenues

I offer for sale as a whole a very fine lot of 1898 Proprietary, Documentary and Privates,—about 800 stamps in all—largely blocks of 4, shades, roulette varieties and surcharges of those who had private Proprietaries; Lee surcharges in blocks; Invert. Langman 1¼ blue surcharge, etc. Will be sold at fair price.

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CEYLON.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the new stamps noted in No. 1027.

CHILI.—The *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly* reports that the President has countermanded the reprinting in various colours, and surcharging with high colors of the first 20c stamps. The reason, though not given, is not difficult to guess.

Juan Fernandez.—By a Decree, dated at Santiago on the 25th June last, the Chilian Government has authorized the overprinting and surcharging of the 12c and 1 peso of Chili, for issue in these Islands, which are chiefly used as a Chilian convict settlement; the values selected have not—save for a comparatively few copies more or less accidentally issued—been on sale in Chili, and practically the whole stock will be converted.

One-and-a-half million copies of the 12c are to be overprinted "Islas de Juan Fernandez" in blue, and surcharged with the new value of 5c; and one million 1p stamps are to be similarly overprinted, some to be further marked as follows:—400,000 as 10c stamps, and 400,000 as 20c stamps. The balance of 200,000 are to retain their original value.

The Decree states that the printings on the 1p are to be in coloured ink but does not specify it.

The stamps are for use in and between the islands, and between them and the mainland of the Republic, and were to come into use on the 1st August.

COLOMBIA.—*Antioquia.*—A. W. Dunning has shown us a vertical strip of three stamps, imperforate between, of the 1 peso, Scott's No. 152. The imprint is "Arango," etc., in the centre. Mr. Dunning also writes: "My Colombian correspondent informs me that the supply of the 5 cents A. R. stamp of the 1910 commemorative issue is *exhausted.* Also that the 16 cents R. stamp of same series has been withdrawn from sale owing to the fact that 'the Spanish minister in Bogota is not pleased with the meaning of the picture'!!!"

Bolivar.—Mr. Dunning also reports having seen Scott's Nos. 94 and 95, printed on both sides.

CRETE. — For political reasons, the stamps overprinted "(H) ELLAS" in Greek capitals will probably be withdrawn, and that the series, without overprint, will be again put into circulation. This is in line with our note in No. 1024.

ECUADOR.—Frank C. Davis has shown us a used copy of the 5c on 50c provisional chronicled some time since.

GERMAN COLONIES.—Two more values have been issued for Kiautschou, printed on the lozenge paper: 4c carmine and 10c ultramarine.

HONDURAS—Louis Voss reports having seen the current 2c stamp cut in halves diagonally, and used for 1c.

MAURITIUS.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 10 rupee stamp printed in the new colors on multiple chalky paper. This is a new value for this country.

Adhesive.

10r green and carmine on green.

MEXICO.—A letter from Jose M. Ponce de Leon, informs us that the Centenary issue was to be issued Sept. 16. The set will be of the same values and colors as the current issue.

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629 to 632, set		.52
677 to 681, set		.25

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NEW SOUTH WALES.—The New England Stamp Co., has shown us the 6d in orange instead of yellow, and perforated 12x11.

NICARAGUA.—Hermann Focke reports another new provisional, the 15c slate of 1909, American print, having been surcharged "Vale 10c" in red.

Provisional Adhesive.

10c on 15c slate.

PAPUA.—Hermann Focke writes: "The last batch I received from Port Moresby on the 1st of this month, contained again the 2sh 6d with small surcharge 'Papua'; the 2½c, perf. 11; 4d, perf. 12½, with vertical wmk. Crown and A, and the balance with wmk. sideways. It is extremely dangerous to pay fancy prices, as stamps that are supposed to be out of issue, pop up at any time again. The 1d red and 1½d blue on buff, postal cards of British New Guinea are still in circulation without any surcharge!"

URUGUAY.—In Hugo Griebert's monograph, "A Study of the Stamps of Uruguay," it is stated that Messrs. Waterlow Bros. & Layton, Ltd., have been entrusted with the preparation of the new set of stamps for Uruguay in which the 7c denomination will be abandoned. The contract price for production is 20.8 centesimos per hundred up to 3,000,000 stamps, and 22.3 centesimos when below 500,000. Of the various values the following supplies have been ordered:

½c,	8,000,000
1c,	4,000,000
2c,	4,000,000
5c,	12,000,000
8c,	2,000,000
20c,	300,000
25c,	300,000
50c,	100,000
1p,	100,000

THE BERNE EXHIBITION.

The latest gossip regarding the Berne Philatelic Exhibition is that the collection which His Majesty the King will show there is the royal collection of Nevis. There are few stamps that are more attractive to the philatelist, and the collection will doubtless present some features of interest and importance in regard to the study of this West Indian Colony. I learn also that Mr. Duveen is to show his magnificent Mauritius collection. I shall be glad to hear from collectors who are sending their collections to Berne, and to have some details of their exhibits.

The *Daily Telegraph* states that there will be a temporary post office opened in the Berne Exhibition, doubtless with a special postmark, and the new bicoloured postage due stamps, which have been in readiness for some time past, will be issued for the first time from this temporary post office.—*Postage Stamp.*

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THE EMPIRE OF MOROCCO.

(Continued from page 319.)

try, which has been so plagued with its Sultans and stamp speculators.

These Moroccan locals are generally considered and condemned as utterly worthless; but exceptions must at least be made in the case of the issues inscribed "Mazagan—Maroc," "Mogador—Marakesch," and "Tanger—Fez."

Considered as a whole, the Moroccan locals are picturesque stamps, and well produced; and thus they possess an attraction which is as deceptive as that of many other beautiful objects. However, as most of these stamps have been obsolete for several years, and are by no means common, perhaps philatelists will eventually favour them with a kindlier regard; especially considering that the Moroccan private posts compare very favourably with the foreign posts as regards the number of varieties and provisionals issued.

In our review of this interesting group of stamps, we purpose adopting the usual alphabetical order of classification, and instead of confusing the tyro with synonyms, we had better follow the writer's usual practice of spelling geographical names as they are spelled on the stamps themselves.

Alcazar—Ouazzan:—Alcazar is a town of the former kingdom of Fez; it is situated on the Strait of Gibralter, and was taken by Alphonso, King of Portugal in 1468. A British consular representative was established in this town. Ouazzan is a small picturesque hillside town, famous as a religious centre.

The pretty set of seven speculative stamps (5c—1 franc), issued in 1896 for the private post, Alcazar to Ouazzan are all of one type which bears a well engraved picture of a dromedary as the central feature of the design.

The issue was suppressed within a month of issue by the Shereef (prince or ruler) of Ouazzan.

Fez—Mequinez:—Fez is a holy city, the chief commercial centre, and one of the metropolitan cities of Morocco. In the 13th century Fez was the capital of an independent kingdom; three centuries later it was conquered and annexed by Morocco. In 1905, British, French and German missions were sent to Fez to urge reforms; these the Sultan admitted to be necessary, but desired a conference of the Powers. Britain declined, and the question became acute between France and Germany, but later on a satisfactory agreement was reached, and a British consul was established at Fez. Mequinez is a royal burying place, about 36 miles from Fez, and, like the latter, is a metropolitan city.

The locals for Fez and Mequinez consist of one set of eight stamps, all of one type, bearing a portrait of a Moor, and this set was supplemented by a corresponding series of eight "Unpaids," which are of a less dainty design, and bear the initials "F. M." as the only indication of the post by which they were issued.

Fez—Sefro:—Sefro is an inland town in N. Morocco. The stamps issued under the title "Fez—Sefro," are utterly worthless and probably never saw these places.

Mazagan — Azemour — Marakech:—Mazagan is an almost deserted seaport near the Atlantic, and was opened to foreign trade, and here also a British resident was established. The place is situated at a distance of about eight miles from Azemour, and 120 from Marakech the Moroccan capital.

The set of seven speculative stamps issued under the above heading in 1898 are all oblong and of real beauty.

Mazagan—Maroc:—This was the first and best of the private posts of Morocco; the first stamp (25c) appearing in 1892, and shortly after a new value (10c) was made by surcharging.

In 1893 an ugly set of stamps appeared, which bore the names "Mazagan-Marakech"; and here we might remark that "Morocco." "Maroc(co)," "Marrakesch," and "Marakech," are synonyms for the capital of Morocco. After the issuing of a couple of provisionals, a new set of stamps appeared in 1897 and these latter stamps are of great beauty, depicting as they do a characteristic Moorish scene.

The set of seven "Unpaids," issued simultaneously with these pictorial stamps, are "nondescript," stamps which bear the familiar French inscription, "Chiffre Tax," and these particular "Postage Dues" can be recognized by the kneeling dromedary which apparently supports a large shield on which is the numeral of value.

This private post fitly celebrated the incoming of the 20th century by issuing another pictorial set of oblong stamps, all of which are bi-coloured and of a dainty design.

Mogador—Agidir:—Mogador is a port with a small harbour and is an emporium of trade. Agidir is an inland town in the south.

The solitary set of seven stamps, all bi-coloured, issued in 1900 from these places are all of one type, the central feature of the design being an African lion.

Mogador—Maroc:—As in the case of "Mazagan and Maroc," which changed the spelling of the latter place to "Marakech," so the stamps of "Mogador—Maroc" changed to "Mogador—Marrakesch"; and it really appears as though the enterprising "postal officials" of some of these private posts created varieties simply by changing the spelling of geographical names instead of by the less original method of changing paper, watermarks and perforations!

The 1895-6 issue inscribed "Mogador—Marrakesch" are a handsome set of rectangular stamps all of a type bearing a design which looks like a panel picture of Paradise!

Saffi—Marakech:—Saffi is one of the Moroccan ports opened to foreign trade and in which a British consular representative was established. The lovely set of seven oblong stamps, issued there in 1899, are notable for bearing the finest seascape to be seen on any stamp.

Tanger—Arizila:—Tanger is a seaport and health resort on the Strait of Gibraltar, and possesses a castle, and the town is surrounded by a wall. It was taken by the Portuguese in 1471 and ceded to Charles II of England on his marirage with Catherine; but the "merry monarch" did not think the port worth the expense of its upkeep, and in 1683 he caused the works to be blown up. Arizila is a seaport in the kingdom of Fez, and was formerly a Roman colony and a place of considerable importance; but now does not contain more than 1,000 inhabitants.

The set of eight stamps issued under the above heading in 1900 bear a "geometrical" design—a marked departure from the usual landscape or marine view.

Tanger—El Ksar:—El Ksar is an inland town of minor importance.

The set of eight oblong stamps issued from this post in 1898 are of one type, the design being that of a ship.

Tanger—Fez:—Palm trees surrounding a rectangle in which is a large numeral of value form the principal feature of the design of the set of eight stamps (5c—5 francs) issued by the enterprising French firm which originated this post in 1892; and curiously enough this firm and several others apparently forgot that Spanish currency not French, was in use in Morocco, but this "oversight" is a minor matter!

Tangier—Morocco—Laraiche: — Tangier, of course, is another form of "Tanger"; and Laraiche is a strong port open to foreign trade, and possesses a castle and a good harbour.

The set of six stamps emanating from this source are crudely designed and are all of one type; the central figure of the design being a full length of a creature bearing a remote resemblance to a human being! The "artist" from whose inspired soul the design came, seems to have intended to caricature Peary setting out for the Pole!

Tangier—Tetouan:—Tetouan is another port in which a British Consul resides, and from this port considerable communication is kept up with Gibraltar.

The most striking feature of the set of five stamps issued from this source in 1897 is the benevolent countenance of the lion depicted as lying under the shade of a palm tree. The kind creature was evidently snap-shotted while indulging in an "after-dinner nap," and there's a smile that won't come off! These stamps are also curious as being nondescripts; and the solitary Spanish word "Correos" is the sole inscription, excepting the value.

Tetuan—Maroc—Chechouan:—The set of seven stamps bearing the above cumbersome inscription, together with the date "1896" and comparatively small figures of value in the lower corners, are all of one type—a geometrical rather than a pictorial design. Here again the values (5 centimes—1 franc) are in French currency; but "accidental discrepancies" of this sort are not much worse than many inverted surcharges, etc., in our current catalogues.

Tetouan—El Ksar:—Instead of the customary camel or dromedary, a mounted horse forms the central feature of the design of the set of six stamps issued by the promoters of this private post in 1897; and this set is the last of our list of Moroccan locals.

We might, however, mention the Spanish stamps surcharged for Tetouan in 1909, and these latter like the French "Tanger stamps issued in 1891, though really regarded as "government" locals are of the same "kidney" as many of the private locals we have just reviewed.

In conclusion, the writer desires to express the hope that those of his readers who do not exclusively "go by Gibbons" and banish all private posts from off the face of the earth (whilst collecting Brunei, Caymans, &c.), may be interested in this elementary introduction to the issues of the Empire of Morocco—a curious country which even in the 20th century cannot boast of a properly organised government postal service; whilst those philatelists who have no love for "locals," will, by learning more about such stamps, better know what to avoid.—*Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly.*

BELGIUM — FIRST ISSUE.

By J. B. Leavy.

The paper used was hand-made, manufactured by Olin Brothers of Brussels, varying in quality from medium thick to very thin, and moderately white in colour. In the space for each stamp was a watermark of a double "L" interlaced within a single-lined rectangular frame 22×18 mm.; this watermark was made by twisting wire into the design desired and affixing it to the screen upon which the damp paper pulp was spread. As the wire was twisted by hand, no two watermarks are exactly alike, and some interesting varieties exist. At the top, bottom and each side of each sheet, was watermarked the inscription "MINISTERE DES TRAVAUX PUBLICS, BRUXELLES, BELGIQUE, POSTES," in double lined capital letter 6½×7 mm. each. This watermark was placed but 2½ mm. from the frame line enclosing the interlaced "L's," so that it often happens that certain stamps from the outside horizontal or vertical rows of a sheet bear one or two of the letters of this inscription, entire or in part, together with a portion of the interlaced "L" watermark. In printing the sheets were placed sideways upon the plate, so that the watermark appears in that position, with head either to the right or left. In some carelessly placed sheets certain stamps of either the top, bottom or side rows are printed on the margin outside the watermark, and between the words of the marginal inscription; these stamps without watermark are, however, very rare.

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The stamps were printed under the personal supervision of Jacques Wiener, at the Stamp Works—situated in the basement of a modest house in the Rue Lateral, Brussels—in three distinct printings. The first printing in May, 1849, consisted of 1,600,000 copies of the 10 centimes in deep brown, and 1,500,000 copies of the 20 centimes in deep blue, both on medium paper, ⅛ mm. in thickness. The second printing was made in September 1849 and consisted of 3,000,000 copies of the 10 centimes in grey-brown, and 3,000,000 copies of the 20 centimes in two shades, pale blue and milky blue, both on thin paper, ⅛ mm. in thickness. The third printing took place in May 1850, and was a very small one, as it was made only to supply the post offices until the stamps of the second type should be placed on sale; it consisted of 800,000 copies of the 10 centimes in brown, and 500,000 copies of the 20 centimes in both deep blue and pale blue, all on a very thin paper, 1-10th mm. in thickness. The stamps measure 18½×12½ mm.

In manufacturing the plates of both the 10 and 20 centimes stamps a little carelessness in using the transfer rolls caused the double impression of a portion of the design, in one or more instances, noticeable chiefly in a double line at top of stamp and double impressions of the numerals in both upper corners; naturally these errors occur in all three printings.

Some writers have claimed that the plates for these stamps were retouched; I find no evidence whatever of retouching; I do find, however, certain copies of the ten centimes bearing extra lines at the top of the design cut diagonally opposite to the fine diagonal lines of the background, but spaced much further apart than the background lines; these extra lines can by no stretch of the imagination be considered a re-cutting or re-engraving, as they mar the appearance of the stamp. I believe them to be engraver's scratches that were upon the plate before the design was rocked in. I have not found any of these extra lined stamps in the 20 centimes.—*Philatelic Record.*

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OFFICIAL NOTICE.

The committee to confer with a similar committee of the American Numismatic Association, created by resolution at the recent Detroit Convention, has been appointed, to consist of the following gentlemen: Henry Ades Fowler, chairman, Ben G. Green, P. M. Wolsieffer.

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REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING AUGUST 27, 1910.

APPLICATIONS PENDING.

Pietz, Adam — Seubert, Justin A.
Furger, Franz — Lagerberg, Guy de
Patterson, W. O.

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Harding, Newton H., 2119 Bingham St., Chicago, Ill.; age 26; Musician. Reference: Frank M. Morris. Proposed by Iver R. Johnson, No. 2049.

Heath, Donald R., 157 Washington St., Monroe, Mich.; age 24; Gas Engineer. References: First National Bank; St. Louis Car Co. Proposed by W. A. Sisson, No. 2349.

Staehle, Emil, 1635 N. Michigan St., Saginaw, Mich.; age legal. Reference: John A. Klemann. Proposed by J. M. Bartels, No. 356.

Evans, Thos. G., 2171 N. Maplewood Ave., Chicago, Ill.; age legal; Decorator. References: Mekeel-Severn-Wylie Co.; Edward Michael. Proposed by Fred Michael, No. 938.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3755. Spokane Branch No. 38.
3756. Goebel, George C., New York, N.Y.
3757. Grubbs, T. Elmer, Los Angeles, Cal.
3758. Johnston, Guy, Grand Rapids, Mich.
3759. Owen, A. E., Montclair, N. J.
3760. Echols, J. C., Montclair, N. J.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

885. Picard, F. W., from Denver to May Bldg., Pittsburg, Pa.
367. Lachasse, G. de, from Oakland to 3745 Sacramento St., San Fran., Cal.
2322. Perry, Elliott, from Swarthmore, Pa., to Wayland, Mass.

DEATH REPORTED.

227. La Tourette, Phillip, 27 Beaver St., New York, N. Y., Nov. 22, 1909.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY.

Total membership August 13, 1910,		1975
New stockholders,	6	
		1981
Suspended non-payment dues,	233	
Death reported,	1	
		234
Total membership August 27, 1910,		1747

As this is the last time I shall appear before you in an official capacity, I desire to thank the members for their many kindnesses and courtesies to me during my tenure of office. It has been pleasing in the extreme to have made many friends, and I trust, no enemies. I bespeak for the new secretary the same cordial support and kindness that was accorded myself upon my introduction to office for it is no easy matter to assume the management at a moment's notice without an adequate idea of its intricate workings. While there has been much criticism of the conduct of the secretary the past year, it has no doubt been deserved, but there are situations over which man has no control, and in view of this fact, the secretary desires to thank his friends who have been of assistance to him. He lays aside his robe of office with the best of feeling toward the society and its members, and will do all in his feeble way to further its interests as best he can.

H. S. ADAIR, Sec.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING SEPT. 10, 1910.

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Heth, John N., Birmingham, Mich.; age legal. References: W. T. Livingston, Detroit, A. P. S. 3000; Exchange Bank, Birmingham, Mich. Proposed by C.F. Heyerman, No. 3101.

Strader, G. N., Bay Ridge, Ohio; age 22; Electrician. Reference: Toledo Stamp Co., Toledo, O. Proposed by A. C. Stewart, No. 1643.

APPLICATION FOR REINSTATEMENT.

1800. Sprague, H. C. H., 361 Main St., Winnipeg, Canada; age 29; Lumberman. References: Alloway & Champion; The Knight Co., Ltd.; D. E. Sprague, Winnipeg. Proposed by W. H. Barnum, No. 585.

RESIGNATIONS RECEIVED.

3185. Harris, Andrew L., Columbus, O.
3345. Davis, Arthur W., Utica, N. Y.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

3649. Berolzheimer, D. D., from N. Y. City to 130 South Broadway, Yonkers, N. Y.
3086. Roessler, A. C., from N. Y. City to 10½ Clay St., Newark, N. J.
1925. Davis, H. A., from 1267 Gaylord St. to 2124 E. 12th Ave., Denver, Colo.

I am unable to give membership summary, also notice of election of new members, acceptance of resignations, etc., in the absence of the records of the office. However, I expect to have these in time to include in next week's report.

In remitting dues for the current year members are reminded that same should be sent direct to the Treasurer and not to me.

W. H. BARNUM, Sec.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE RECRUITING COMMITTEE.

To the Directors and Members American Philatelic Society,

Gentlemen:—The work of this committee for the past year, along general lines, followed that of previous committees. However, after mature deliberation, it was decided to not follow such an aggressive policy as heretofore in the campaign for new members. To that end all publicity through the advertising columns of philatelic and kindred journals was dispensed with and the work carried on primarily through personal solicitation of the individual members of the committee. While the growth is naturally slower under this method it has seemed a more safe way in reaching desirable prospects and to conform more with the dignified standing of our Society.

Your chairman received his appointment Sept. 18, 1909, and immediately took steps to complete the committee by asking various members, principally in the larger centres, to serve thereon. As all these preliminary arrangements necessarily had to be done by mail much time was consumed and the committee's permanent organization not completed until Oct. 30, 1909.

It is unnecessary to tabulate here the results of the individual members as this record is found in the Secretary's report. Suffice to say that 132 applications have been secured and proposed by twenty-five of the committeemen.

Together with the canvass for new members, the committee has endeavored to aid the Treasurer in collecting the dues of members and, in consequence, but a small percentage of the delinquents will be found residents of cities where there are local recruiting committeemen.

In February your chairman caused to be issued a booklet briefly covering the benefits to be derived from membership in the Society and more than 800 copies of the 1000 edition have been carefully distributed.

Of the $150.00 appropriated for the use of the committee, $68.16 has been expended, leaving a balance of $81.84 to be returned to the General Fund.

As we feel that this work should be continued we beg leave to recommend to the convention an appropriation of the same amount for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
THE RECRUITING COMMITTEE,
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Meetings first (informal) and third (regular) Tuesdays, Room 322, Tremont Bdg., 7.30 P. M.

BOSTON, MASS., Sept. 17, 1910.

The 232nd (regular) meeting will be held at the Club Room on Tuesday evening, Sept. 20, at 7.30 o'clock. As this is the opening meeting of the new season we bespeak a good attendance.

There are to be two competitive exhibitions, *(a)* of uncatalogued varieties for the Weber cup, and *(b)* of recent United States issues, 1902–3 and on, showing varieties of paper, imperforates, special perforations, shades, plate numbers, etc. This ought to make a most interesting exhibit.

A discussion is also announced.

The names of Messrs. Charles R. Higbee, Jr., Michel A. Yaremdji and Capt. Arthur H. Bryant, U. S. A., will come up for admission.

C. A. HOWES, *Secretary.*

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BAVARIA 1908, Official, 5pf	.06	.02
BELGIUM PACKET POST 1895, 2fr buff	.08	.02
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" 40c green and black	.05	.01½
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2	1858, 10c green, new	.12	.06
3	15c blue, new	.18	.10
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BERNE STAMP EXHIBITION.

By FRED J. MELVILLE.

(By courtesy of Mr. Melville we have received the following account of the exhibit at Berne, Switzerland, though the findings of the judges of awards must be held over to a later issue. This account appeared in the *Daily Telegraph* and is a distinct tribute to the value placed upon philatelic news by the great London newspapers.—ED.)

BERNE, Sept. 3, 1910.—(Special Despatch.)—Berne is the postal capital of the world. Here is situated the Central Bureau of the Universal Postal Union, by which are organised the great conventions of representatives of the postal administrations of all nations. These conventions are meetings of a veritable Parliament of Posts, which meets at intervals of about seven years to decide questions affecting the international exchange of correspondence. Here, in the Swiss capital, has been erected the monument by M. de St. Marceaux to commemorate the "Jubilee" of the Union; this monument was unveiled here last year.

One of the duties of the International Bureau of the Postal Union is to receive "specimen" copies of all new postage stamps issued in any part of the world. About 750 copies of each stamp, specially overprinted with the word "Specimen", are sent to the bureau by each issuing country, and the bureau uses these stamps to notify other postal administrations concerning the new issues, so that the stamps will be duly recognised as legitimate issues when they commence to circulate throughout the world.

It is to this postal importance that attaches to Berne, as well as to the natural attractions of Switzerland, that I attribute the large influx to the Swiss capital of stamp dealers and collectors from practically all the European States, and even from America, to visit the International Philatelic Exhibition which was opened here today. The United Kingdom is well represented, and most of the leading English collectors have been quartered here for some days, assisting in the building up of the exhibition.

The new Berne Casino, where the stamp exhibition is being held, is undoubtedly the finest hall that has been used for such a purpose. Its area is enormous, and although well laid out, the committee has had a task of no mean difficulty in apportioning the space amongst nearly two hundred exhibitors.

Millionaire Helpers.

Last night's scene in the Berne Casino was one that would have opened the eyes of the philistine in stamp matters. For two days it had seemed as if the exhibition would not be nearly ready by the opening time, and by dinner-time yesterday everything seemed in a very backward state. The predicament of the Swiss workers was discussed over the dinner tables of the chief hotels, and as soon as dinner was over the English and American contingent of visitors went in a body to the hall, and armed themselves with hammers and drawing-pins, and set to work arranging collections in the frames. In evening dress, but discarding their jackets, there were millionaires and merchant princes working harder than they had ever worked before, and others who have motored here in luxurious ease were working themselves at high pitch, as if life itself depended upon getting the exhibition ready, and all for the overwhelming interest that they find in postage stamps.

Having travelled here through the previous night, I left the hall just before midnight, but the work continued till early morning, with the result that the exhibition was ready in good time for the inaugural ceremony at half-past ten this morning,

M. Ruffy, the director of the International Bureau of the Universal Postal Union, made the opening speech in the presence of a large company of ladies and gentlemen. Speaking in French, M. Ruffy extended the welcome of the Swiss capital to the representatives of the philatelic societies who had come from countries near and far. He referred to the attraction and interest stamps possess for persons in all stations and at all stages of life. The schoolboy, he said, forgetful of his tasks, would dream of a Basle dove or a Geneva "Large Eagle" (rare varieties of early Swiss cantonal stamps) flying into his small album. From the little Tuscan boy who, barefooted, meets you on the steps of San Domingo or San Agostino, and, showing you his collection in an exercise book, demands "a francobollo estero", and then conducts you to see the native masterpieces, to the occupants of Royal palaces, postage-stamp collecting had its interest for all.

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There was no further formality, and the assembled visitors scattered themselves through the long avenues of glass-covered pyramids in which the stamps were displayed to view. There are upwards of two hundred different exhibits, and it is only possible for me to describe a few in the present article.

In a space of little over two square mètres are displayed the stamps of Nevis, which have been lent for exhibition by his Majesty King George. It is not a large collection even for this small colony, but the few items contained in it are of the choicest description. There are proof sheets of all four values of the earliest engraved stamps of Nevis. Each sheet comprises twelve stamps. The King's proofs are in trial colours, the 1d in green (the colour ultimately adopted for the 1s), the 4d in blue, the 6d in orange, and the 1s in lilac-rose.

Of the stamps issued in 1861 printed from the engraved plates, there are two re-constructed sheets of the 1d dull rose, unused; of the 4d rose there is a reconstructed sheet unused, and another of used copies. Of the 6d grey-lilac there is an unsevered sheet, from which only the margins have been removed, and a reconstructed sheet of unused copies. The 1s is represented by two reconstructed sheets, one being made up of unused and the other of used stamps.

Of the stamps perforated 14½, and printed from the engraved plates, the 1d red is represented by one reconstructed sheet (unused), the 4d orange by two reconstructed sheets (one of unused and the other of used copies), and the 1s green by a reconstructed sheet of used stamps.

The lithographs (perforated 15) include two unbroken sheets of the 1d red shades, a magnificent unsevered sheet of the 6d grey, which only lacks the outer marginal paper, and an unbroken sheet of the 1s in each of the two shades, pale green and deep green. Stamp No. 9 on the pale green sheet shows the "cross on hill" variety, and the deep green sheet shows the variety with the cross removed.

The King's exhibit is framed with flags, and is attracting a great deal of interest. It is the first exhibit the visitors inquire after.

It is noteworthy that here, as in Amsterdam last year, the finest exhibits are those from outside the country under whose flag the exhibition is being held. At Amsterdam the best collections of Dutch stamps came from England. Here there are two very notable collections of Swiss stamps, both of them from London collectors.

Rare Swiss Stamps.

Mr. H. J. Duveen shows a grand array of Swiss rarities. On his first page is the unique part-sheet of the dove stamp of Basle. This is a rarity as a single stamp, but in a part-sheet of fifteen of these stamps, with the margins on three sides of the block, it is unapproachable by the exhibits of other collectors here. The rare double Geneva stamp is also represented by a large block of six whole stamps and three halves. This stamp, issued in 1843, was the first trial of a scheme which has been suggested frequently in recent years of making a penny stamp divisible into two halfpenny stamps. The "double Geneva" stamp is composed of two parts, each of which was valid for 5 centimes postal duty, the whole stamp being the 10 centimes duty. The "large eagle" stamp of Geneva is represented in Mr. Duveen's collection by an unapproachable part-sheet of twenty stamps, which part-sheet came from the collection of the late Sir William Avery, Bt., along with the wonderful block of "double Geneva" stamps. The unique part-sheet of Basle doves was discovered in Switzerland quite recently, in romantic circumstances.

Mr. Duveen's specimens of the stamps of Zurich outvie all the other collections of the stamps of this canton, and altogether I consider that this exhibitor's collection of Swiss stamps approaches very near in importance to the famous collection of Swiss formed by the late millionaire banker, M. Mirabaud, of Paris, which collection realised about £8,000 after the owner's death.

Mr. Victor Beaujeux, also of London, presents a carefully studied and extensive collection of Swiss stamps, and while he has not the number of rarities presented in the Duveen collection, the philatelic work he has achieved will no doubt be taken into consideration in the awards. He has for the first time succeeded in reconstructing a plate of unused copies of the forty types of the Rayon I pale blue of April 1851. The reconstruction has been effected by blocks, pairs and strips.

The jury commences its work tonight. Its composition presents the same international character which has been very marked among the visitors to the exhibition. The variety of languages that one hears in the Casino makes one wonder why philatelists do not adopt the universal language. The eight judges are from Great Britain, Sweden, Austria, France, Germany, Holland and Switzerland.

Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

ITEMS FROM THE ENGLISH PRESS.

BY CHARLES E. JENNEY.

The *West End Philatelist* for August opens with an interesting article on the 1865 issue of Belgium by Bertram W. H. Poole. The London and Belgium prints are satisfactorily explained by perforations, which is a more exact way of determining than by shades or thickness of papers, both of which are often used.

A continued article in the same magazine, also by the editor, is dealing with the errors in color in stamps of all countries, and the frequency with which, in the early issues a wrong cliche was inserted in a plate leads one to believe almost it must have been done intentionally in some cases. There was no ulterior philatelic motive in those days. M. Hulot who manufactured the plates of the French stamps of 1853–60 and 1872–75 inserted a wrong cliche in the 10 centimes plate and again in making the Roumania 1876–78 issue he inserted a 5 bani cliche in the 10 bani plate. It looks more like system than error,—possibly a system to guard against counterfeiting in entire sheets.

The further we read in the above mentioned paper the more we realize that the editor earns his salary, for the third and last article is also by him, "The Postage Stamps of Sierra Leone", this section dealing with the king's heads. We quote, "On Sept. 24, 1902, the colonial postmaster-general issued a circular in which it was stated that 'the plates and dies of all the Victorian postage stamps, envelopes, post cards and newspaper wrappers of this Colony have been destroyed'."—a very comprehensive and satisfactory disposal of these issues.

New record breakings are usually interesting. From the *Postage Stamp* we learn that the new general postoffice in London is the largest in the world. There are thirteen acres of floor space and two and a quarter miles of assorting tables.

In this paper we find an interesting article headed "Turbulent Thibet", dealing with current history and philatelic possibilities. An explanation is also given of why the Field Post-office letters bear stamps although soldiers' letters are sent free. They are stamped to avoid delays at later points in their journey on account of apparent lack of postage but the postage value is recovered monthly.

Gibbons Stamp Weekly of Aug. 27 has an article, "The Empire of India", which splendidly explains the political divisions of India and their relations to each other. It also gives a list of the foreign offices of British India, which will be of interest to those who collect stamps showing the postmarks of outside countries.

The editorial of the *Philatelic Journal of Great Britain* for August encourages the collector of stamps with dated postmarks on their face. This is of course the ideal way to have them but in these days of mint copies it is rare to find anyone championing them.

MR. ROTHFUCHS IN THE FAR WEST.

The many friends of C. F. Rothfuchs will be glad to hear from him through this letter to the managing editor of the WEEKLY:—

"Mrs. Rothfuchs and I (if we are well) will take a trip to Southern California next January, and may not return before April 1911. After our return if we do not like any of the cities which we will visit any better than Seattle we will then be on the lookout for our future home.

Since my present address (P. O. Box 328, Seattle) has appeared in MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS, I have received invitations to call on collectors, and an invitation to attend the meeting of the Seattle Philatelic Club. I did not accept these kind invitations, because it would be uncertain whether or not I would be in Seattle at any stated time before next April.

Since my arrival at Seattle I have taken many trips, of which the excursion to Alaska was the most interesting one. Ketchikan, Metlakahtly, Wrangel, Juneau, Skagway and Sitka are some of the interesting towns in Alaska we visited on this excursion. The Treadwell Gold Mine on Douglas Island, the 5000 or more salmon trying to swim against the swift current in the creek at Ketchekan, and at Prince of Wales Islands the 15,000 salmon that were in boats and which were counted, thrown up on the wharf, washed, beheaded, cut to size to fit cans, canned, boxed and shipped on our steamer to Bellingham, Wash., are some of the sights worth seeing. The view of the mountain scenery and glaciers on this excursion is well worth the price of this Alaska excursion. With best regards from your friend."

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STAMPS OF KING GEORGE'S REIGN.

(Written by the editor of the *London Philatelist* the opinion expressed in this article will be of interest to all our readers. The tribute paid to our own stamps will be appreciated and the development of King George designs eagerly awaited by philatelists throughout our country.—Ed.)

The announcement, briefly introduced in the last issue of this journal, that the printing of the British stamps after the end of this year would be undertaken by a new firm, is one fraught with intense interest to those of His Gracious Majesty's subjects who are philatelists. The majority of the present race of collectors has grown up under the De La Rue contracts, and it will be difficult to at once realize all that this important change portends. Up to the present no official information has been vouchsafed, except that tenders have been invited and received, and the contract awarded to Messrs. Harrison and Sons. The fact that tenders were invited leads to the inference that the postal authorities were dissatisfied not only with the present methods of production, but with the cost thereof. It is stated that there are about fifteen millions of stamps required for daily use in this country, and in the production of such a vast quantity it is palpable that there must be scope for the initiation of economic developments. In this twentieth century nothing can afford to stand still—it must be progress or decay; and the Postage Stamp contracts, which have been undisturbed for over fifty years, have become perhaps a little mildewy and rusty from want of the healthy friction engendered by competition.

It is, however, impossible not to feel sympathy with the great firm of De La Rue and Co. under the circumstances, and Philatelists cannot fail to evince their grateful appreciation of the splendid surface-printing and truly remarkable evenness of production that have been for so many years the marked features of Messrs. De La Rue and Co.'s manufactures. With the commencement of the new contract next year, nearly seventy-one years will have elapsed since the introduction of adhesive postage stamps in this country, and during the whole of that long period only two firms have been the producers thereof—both of whose names are indelibly inscribed in the annals of Philately—Messrs. Perkins Bacon and Co. and Messrs. De La Rue and Co. As is well known, the former firm printed all the low values up to 2d, from 1840 to 1880, when changes very much to the worse came into effect. Messrs. De La Rue commenced their impressions (with the fourpence) in 1855, printing subsequently all values above 2d, and, on the termination of the Perkins Bacon contract in 1880, all the values up to that amount. Thus for fifty-five years all the British stamps except ½d, 1d, 1½d and 2d, and during the past thirty years, the whole of the adhesive stamps of this country, have emanated from Messrs. De La Rue and Co. This is a marvellous record, and affords of itself a striking testimony to the confidence justly reposed in the ability of that firm. Some of the work done by Messrs. De La Rue is magnificent, and as superb specimens of surface-printing it is difficult to equal the first issue, 3d, 4d, and 6d values. None of their subsequently issued stamps were, in our judgment, equal to these in style; the issues of 1880 to 1884 were beneath contempt, and those of 1887 and 1901, although exceedingly well printed, are of a meretricious and inartistic character that can best be described under the conventional expression "finicky."

Information as regards the design, character, and methods of production of the forthcoming issue will be eagerly awaited in the stamp world. As the new tender has been accepted, it appears certain that the method of production has been fixed, and Philatelists will all eagerly hope that steel-engraving has been found, under modern developments, the most dignified and safest method of production for the postage stamps of this Empire. Great countries like Canada and the United States show us the way herein, and even if the expense of steel-engraved stamps be somewhat in excess of others, if those great countries consider the outlay justifiable, surely Great Britain can follow suit. Recent discoveries in the stamp world have conclusively shown that in the cheap surface-printed Key Plate produced stamp there are infinite possibilities of fraud and robbery. We, however, have every confidence that, in a matter in which His Gracious Majesty is so well experienced, the future issues of British stamps will be found a great improvement upon their predecessors.

The greatest advantage—from a philatelic aspect of steel-engraved stamps is that they admit of a boldness of design that can be rendered impressive by its simplicity. Nothing detracts from the artistic appearance of a stamp more than a superfluity of inscription or spaces that are not covered by the engraver's handiwork. This is strikingly exemplified in the case of the Twopenny stamp of Messrs. Perkins Bacon and Co., which steadily and surely deteriorated with every alteration made to the original die of 1840 "without white lines." The less lettering that is portrayed on the small surface of a postage stamp, the more handsome will be its appearance. We hope, therefore, that even if the inscription "Postage and Revenue" should be (though we fail to see the necessity) deemed indispensable, that it will be represented by minute characters, and that the only other lettering will be the numeral of value—with the letters respectively following, "d", "s", or "£". The guiding idea in the production of an artistic postage stamp should be boldness and simplicity, and we can but express the hope that before finally accepting the new designs, His Majesty's Government may consult those who possess an intimate knowledge and lifelong experience with regard to this important subject.—*London Philatelist.*

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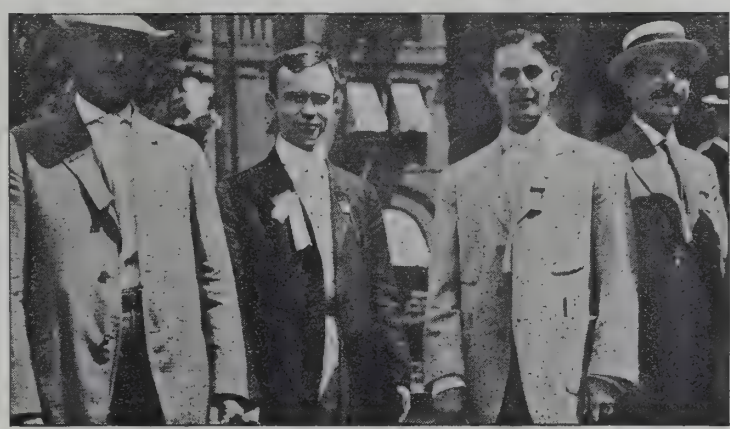

A DETROIT GROUP.

By Courtesy of H. W. Boers.

In the above picture No. 1 is Karl Kasolowski, owner of the only strip of five five-cent Grant imperf. (Shermacked). It was admired by all who saw it. Mr. Boers says that several prominent dealers tried to purchase it, as high as $200 being offered for it.

The second gentleman from the left is the well-known Chicago dealer, Hugh M. Clark. It was he who paid a record-breaking price for an 1847 5c Franklin dark color.

Fred Schmalzriedt is a member of the Detroit Philatelic Society and a specialist in U. S. stamps.

The gentleman at the right with the smiling countenance is the old-time philatelist, Clifford W. Kissinger, Reading, Pa. He will be remembered for his activity and leadership in the P. S. of A., a flourishing society of some years ago.

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EDITORIAL.

An Airy Notion—If some enthusiastic "airmen" had their way, aviation would make its contribution to philately. According to a London newspaper, postal cards have been prepared in Paris that may be dropped from the aeroplanes in flight. The cards bear printed instructions to the finders asking that the missives be deposited in the nearest post-offices for forwarding. Blanks are left on the cards for recording the altitude and approximate position of the ship and a picture of an airship is shown on the cards as well. As for the philatelic leaven in this information, we quote: "It is said that a request has been made to the minister of posts and telegraphs that a special stamp be created for these aerial missives, but so far, I have not heard that M. Millerand has undertaken to do so."

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Endorsement—At the convention of the American Numismatic Association held in New York City earlier in September, Chicago was chosen as the seat of the next convention; and we are informed that a committee was or is to be appointed to confer with the committee that Mr. Mudge as president of the American Philatelic Society will name, according to the wish expressed at the Detroit convention, upon the advisability of holding the convention of the numismatic society the same week as the convention of the American Philatelic Society is convened. It is reported that the proposal that was recognized approvingly by the stamp society at its convention in August, was hailed with no little enthusiasm by the numismatists in convention assembled, subsequently. In fact a member of both the organizations who attended the Detroit and the New York City meetings says that so favorable was the disposition of the American Numismatic Association on the question that it was intimated that if the time required by the business of the philatelic convention left so few days in the latter part of the week that the coin convention would necessarily have to be held in session until the following week, the American Numismatic Association might be agreeable to the protraction if conditions were unyielding. It is assured that the fraternal spirit displayed by the coin folk will meet its match in cordiality when the two committees begin their deliberations.

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Helps Either—The certainty almost that the conventions of both the great national organizations devoted to the interests of stamp and coin collecting, respectively, will be held in Chicago in 1911 during the same week will loan these meetings no mean distinction. Both organizations will profit in attendance at the conventions in consequence of this dual arrangement; and as has been remarked before, the identity of both societies will be kept intact, as it were, and in no manner will that of the one be merged into that of the other. The great amount of publicity that a convention devoted to bodies that uphold allied pursuits will demand and deserve will resolve itself into a mutual benefit and will be shared fairly by both societies. As it is, the convention of the American Numismatic Association usually receives a liberal allotment of newspaper notices and it will be augmented when there is double reason, so to say, for the publicity; and the American Philatelic Society practically is in the same position.

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It Looks Good—From R. S. Nelson, Birmingham, Alabama, we have received two photographs, one of which shows a sheet of eighty-four specimens of the five-cent, type A3, Canal Zone on Panama; originally, the sheet was one hundred, of course, and the part of the sheet shown abounds in varieties. What is of greater interest to us is, among a selection of Confederate locals such as Athens and Macon, an envelope bearing a diagonally halved twenty-cent green Confederate, postmarked Selma, Ala., in a way to remove all doubts of the authenticity of the provisional. The envelope bears in the upper right hand corner, an ordinary ten-cent Confederate of 1863; the cover was sent from a point in Alabama to Selma and the recipient there used the envelope again in sending a letter from Selma to another place in Alabama, after affixing the lower diagonal half of a twenty-cent Confederate to the left of the first stamp. It has been the custom to say that practically all the severed twenty-cent stamps were used in Texas but now Alabama certainly is entitled to one candidate. In 1888, Major Evans recorded that he had seen "more than one specimen divided in half diagonally, and used, no doubt, as ten cents." Some time after this, the split provisional was given place in the catalogue.

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Later—Writing in reference to a statement that appeared in our issue of August 13th, our esteemed correspondent, Wm. H. Zuehlke, Appleton, Wisconsin, says: "The penalty for forging or counterfeiting a postage stamp of any foreign government is a fine of not more than $500 or imprisonment of not more than five years or both. Section 1581 of the U. S. Postal Regulations has been revised so that the penalty for removing postage stamps from mail matter is a fine of not more than $500 or imprisonment of not more than three years, if he be a person employed in the postal service; and a fine of $500 or imprisonment of not more than one year, or both, if he be a person not employed in the postal service. The extracts from the Criminal Code quoted by you were amended by Act of Congress, 1909."

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It Was Popular—One of the most appreciated philatelic attractions afforded by the Detroit convention was the exhibition of stamps by members of the Detroit society in the Museum of Art. This display was open to the public and during its continuance, not a few strangers lead by the newspaper announcements inquired their way to the floor where the stamps were arranged effectively for view. While the Detroit members modestly said that the exhibit was not intended to be pretentious so much as popular, yet there were many stamps shown that were well worth the critical eye. No doubt, Detroit was somewhat surprised that it could make so strong a showing informally, as it were, and if the parallel is to apply, other cities might find that they could build better than they expected, if once they seriously set about planning for an affair of the kind. It is easier to make an exhibition recruited wholly from the stamps of collectors in one city, of a popular order, than an exhibit, widely advertised, and of more purely philatelic value and interest. The exhibition at which the public is welcome is the one which is most fruitful of results; and Detroit has set a very good example.

BERNE EXHIBITION.

Just as we go to press we have received from A. W. Batchelder of the New England Stamp Co. the list of awards made at the Berne International Exhibition. We are unable to publish this week the list in its entirety. H. J. Duveen of New York-London, won second honors, a gold medal, in Class I on Swiss Cantonals and first honors a gold medal in Class IV on Mauritius.

Chas. Lathrop Pack of Lakewood, N. J., secured awards for displays of Spain, Cape of Good Hope, New Zealand and Brazil.

Mr. Batchelder sent his letter franked with a block of 10 of the current 5c Swiss showing four tete beche. Four values 2, 5, 10 and 25c have been issued in this form in stamp books showing the tete beche arrangement. Our correspondent writes that full sheets of stamps from which the books are made up have been on sale at the Exposition post office.

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I have now the 9d, 10d and 2sh 6d perf. 12 and 12½ at sides, and the 10sh perf. 12 and 11½ at sides, all thick Postage with Crown SA wmk. The perfect alignment of the perforation in every case makes it impossible that more than one machine was used, and the large number of stamps now recorded with these compounded perfs. (or confounded perfs. as you please), together with the introduction of a new machine perforating 12½ small holes, leads me to believe that my theory is correct and we may be spared the quotation of a number of apparent freaks.—*Phil. Jour. Gt. Britain.*

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STAMP COLLECTING AGAIN IN VOGUE.

(C. M. Breder favors us with a clipping from the N. Y. *Herald* under the above caption. It is sent the *Herald* by its London correspondent and is a hint of the publicity campaign that has been launched in England in the interests of philately. With King George an active collector, it will be an easy thing exploiting stamp collecting in England as it has never been exploited before.—ED.)

Stamp collecting rapidly is coming into vogue again. And all because the public has ascertained that it for years has been one of King George's hobbies.

"Why, more than a dozen persons connected with the Court already have decided to start collections and have come to us as clients," said the head of a prominent West End firm of philatelists. "Others who formerly collected have taken up the task again with renewed zeal and are bothering their friends half to death for stamps. Then, too, the infection has spread to all classes, though the effort to attain the most extensive and valuable collection fairly promises to become a contest as popular in society as was the solving of jig-saw puzzles for a time.

Numbers of lawyers and men in the financial district have caught the idea, as we know by our books. All these collectors are keenly waiting the impending new issue of postage stamps, hoping that certain initial stamps may suffer some irregularities which will give them great value. As the Earl of Crawford remarked recently, stamp collecting as a boy's hobby is dead, but stamp collecting as a science is just beginning. And, of course, His Majesty has done a very great deal toward advancing stamp collecting to recognition as a scientific study. The boyish interest in stamps centres chiefly in having a large number of fairly uncommon and obviously different specimens and a better collection than the other boys. There it stops.

But the new scientific interest, which is slowly but surely attaining its hold, lies much more in possessing stamps with only the veriest shade of difference in them and in collecting entire sets. For instance, almost all stamps really worth collecting have been printed from a wooden 'sheet'—a sheet being a piece of wood upon which the engraver has carved out a compact square of twelve or more impressions. Though the engraver would aim at perfect similarity, each of those twelve impressions would produce stamps with, to the trained eye, quite distinct markings upon them. So the intelligent collector sets to work to procure a specimen of all the twelve impressions, and so on. You can see, therefore, that it affords some interest."

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A post card twenty-six inches long and thirty-eight wide, weighing nearly four pounds, and requiring $1.20 for postage, was mailed from Enid, Ok., to a law firm in Austin, Texas, last Tuesday.

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

—We are pleased to note a stamp department in the *Christian Science Monitor* in charge of J. Russell Reed, Cambridge, Mass. This department has in it great possibilities for good and similar departments in publications throughout the country would mean much for the promotion of philately.

—P. M. Wolsieffer wishes us to request the members of the Southern Philatelic Association not to vote for him for the position for which he has been nominated as shown upon the official ballot recently sent out. He states that his name was used without his knowledge and consent and that it would be impossible for him to perform the duties of the office were he elected.

—We acknowledge with thanks greetings from Fred J. Melville and A. W. Batchelder while in attendance upon the great Exhibition at Berne. The card, printed especially for the exposition, is a 5c value and the stamp is cancelled by a special postmark. It is adorned with autographs of both gentlemen and Mr. Batchelder writes: —"Exhibition a great success."

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from Hugo Kuenstler (2), F. A. Eichhorn, Chas. Pincus, J. Fred Vickrey, C. M. Breder (2), F. C. DePuy (6), Maitland Milliken, Max A. Lesser (2).

—The next convention of the Southern Philatelic Association will be held at Kansas City, Mo., on Oct. 3rd and succeeding days till all business is completed.

—F. C. DePuy favors us with six clippings, for which we are greatly obliged. One, the Waterman advertisement, shows a large page of foreign stamps printed in their natural colors. We have referred to this advertisement before, it being one of the best that has ever come under our observation.

—E. L. Morey of Colombo, Ceylon, was a recent caller at the WEEKLY office.

AS SEEN BY EDITOR MEKEEL.

The *P. J. of A.* for Aug. 15 contains an article dealing with A. P. S. matters, past and present. While Mr. Mekeel does not hesitate to say pointed things when the occasion seems to demand, for the nonce he gives the WEEKLY a proper measure of recognition. Concerning present day conditions, Mr. Mekeel writes: —

"The membership has now been revived, largely through the efforts of its official organ, and history repeats itself in the appearance of narrow-minded, selfish opposition to the very elements that have kept the association afloat which are largely centered in the WEEKLY of Boston."

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OUR EUROPEAN LETTER.

BY WM. WARD.

AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND, Sept. 2, 1910.

Colony of Sjo-Sen.—Most collectors will possess in their collection stamps of the Colony of Sjo-Sen—but I'll bet a quarter they cannot tell which they are. To save them money, I might as well inform them that Sjo-Sen or Cho-Sen is the ancient name for Corea or Korea, which Japan has formally taken over as a Colony a few days ago, and which has decided to call it by the old title, instead of Corea.

European Boosting.—Every petty State in Europe is just at present suffering from "Kingly Swell-headness" and are making themselves from inferior States into Kingdoms and Empires. Russia has majestically condescended to recognize Montenegro as a Kingdom and Prince Nicolas as King Nicolas—the gentleman they call the father-in-law of half of European monarchs—as he had the luck to marry off a large bunch of daughters.

Novel "Post-Dueing"!—The Netherlands Post Office has an entirely original and novel method of dealing with unpaid or partly unpaid postal matter. When a letter is found on which the postage, say, is 5 cents deficient, the letter is placed in an onion-paper envelope, the inside of which is printed dead-black excepting a portion on the front, through which transparency the postman may be able to read the address. The postage due stamps are placed on the outside of the new cover and cancelled with date-stamp of postoffice making the surcharge postage, which is double the deficiency.

For post cards requiring extra postage a similar part-transparent cover is used, but of which half the face is black, in order to prevent the writing on half the face of the postal card being read by any inquiring person. With the exception that the appearance of any matter that requires extra postage can readily be told by the postal clerks, this seems an unnecessary waste of money, for the covers used must cost at the very least $1.50 to $2.00 a thousand, even by the making and printing of millions at a time. After all the English system of enforcing postage due is the cheapest, most efficient and effectual check on the postmen receiving money for same, and is just as good today as say 70 years ago, when the first postage stamps came into use.

U. S. Stamps in Europe.—Very, very little is known about the postage stamps of the Great Republic. All varieties that are common to the novice in the States are not even heard about here, except in a few cases of expert dealers. Intimate association with many Continental collectors has not given me any great regard for them. In the very greatest majority of instances the European stamp collector accumulates a quantity of stamps, but he knows absolutely nothing about them. If he buys a good stamp, he must at once send it along to some advertised expert to see if it is genuine. Now my experience of both English (or I should say British!) and American collectors is, that if they buy a stamp they know quite well what they are buying, more so than a good many dealers. Thus this ignorance on the part of the collectors has fostered a great deal of rubbish that would not be found in English or American dealers' stock books. There are, in Germany especially, many philatelists who make quite a nice little business at giving expert opinions on stamps at about 12c per stamp. I fear such a profession would mean public-relief with English collectors.

I do not think there is any cleverness in being able to say that one's stamps have been given an O. K. by one who has collected or dealt in stamps a number of years. Perhaps because I was brought up in a philatelic school, so as to speak, I have too severe an opinion. Anyway I feel sure that as things are at present the Continental collector is carefully accumulating the world's rubbish, whilst the English or American philatelist is just as carefully accumulating all the gems of philately. The crux of the whole matter is this: The young philatelist is not helped, yet alone encouraged. There are no American Philatelic or Junior Philatelic Societies spreading and propagating knowledge of a philatelic nature. There is no comparison of philatelic knowledge, so what must we expect? The collector or dealer who keeps all he learns to himself is cutting off his nose to spite his face. By letting others know of our discoveries, we in turn get an exchange of views, of controversy and information on other points. I by no means run down the European collector, but feel sorry that he has not the power, or foresight, or enthusiasm to help himself by seeing that by helping others he is helping himself. We are all dependant on one another in this world of philately or anything else.

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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

Edited by HENRY A. KIDDER.

Any information regarding new issues will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Address HENRY A. KIDDER, 17 Addison St., Arlington, Mass. Letters calling for a reply should contain a self-addressed, stamped envelope. We cannot give applicants the addresses of our correspondents.

BOSNIA.—*Champion's Bulletin* illustrates the new Jubilee stamps, which have been enlarged so as to admit of the addition of the dates "1830—1910". Unlike the Austrian series all the additions have been made at the bottom of the stamps, the figures being in color on a white tablet, with conventional ornaments at either side. The colors are the same as the 1906 issue.

MEXICO.—Eugene L. Fraim sends us a clipping describing the new commemorative stamps which were to have been issued Sept. 16. The values and colors are the same as the current issue, the portraits and pictures upon the stamps being as follows,—the colors given being subject to revision, when the stamps are actually seen:

1c violet; Josefa Ortiz de Dominquez.
2c green; Leona Vicario.
3c brown; Lopez Rayon.
4c carmine; Juan Aldama.
5c yellow; Miguel Hidalgo.
10c blue and orange; Ignacio Allende.
15c lavender and claret; Epigmenio Gonzalez.
20c rose and blue; Mariano Abasolo.
50c rose and black; Cri de Dolores.
1p blue and black; Mass on the Mount de Las Cruces.
5p carmine and black; Assault of Granadito.

There will be also envelopes, post cards and letter cards, the former having the bust of Miguel Hidalgo in relief.

NETHERLANDS.—About every time the Dutch start up the printery there comes a new or a changed card. Since the two last styles of arms came into use we have had over thirty new cards. However, they are not costly and are very attractive in appearance. Mr. Schachne now sends what would be Senf 4711 if he had known of it. The upper headline, "Carte Postale, Avec Reponse Payee" is in block capitals, with same below in Dutch. There are three long and two short address lines, also two at lower left for sender's name. Reply is same, except the usual changes for a reply card.

Post Card

5x5c carmine on rose; T.3

NEWFOUNDLAND.—We are indebted to the New England Stamp Co. and A. C. Roessler for complete sets of the Guy stamps, and find that Mr. Roessler was right in his original statement that the stamps were lithographed,—and he might have added very poorly lithographed at that. If it was beneath the dignity of a British Colony to have the imprint of an American printed on its stamps, it does not seem to have worried that same dignity the least bit to have issued the cheapest lot of labels seen for many a long day. The Solomon Islands, native printers, or the Colombian Departments in the throes of a revolution have never done worse. Were these made simply to sell to collectors? It would appear so from the fact that the sets are sold in a small envelope bearing the following inscription: "Newfoundland. 1610–1910. Issue of Newfoundland Stamps to commemorate the 300th Anniversary of the earliest settlement in the British Empire made in Conception Bay, Newfoundland, in June, 1610."

The values and illustrations were correctly stated in No. 1028. The 1c, 2c, 3c, 6c, 12c, 15c are upright, while the other values are horizontal oblong stamps, the size being the same in all cases, or about the same as the 1898 issue. The poor quality of the printing is lamentable, in view of the fact that the designs were worthy of a better setting.

Adhesives.

1c yellow green.
2c red.
3c olive brown.
4c blue violet.
5c ultramarine.
6c red violet.
8c yellow brown.
9c olive.
10c black violet.
12c red brown.
15c black.

SALVADOR.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us three new values of the current set.

Adhesives.

4c rose and black.
19c red brown and black.
29c brown and black.

SPAIN.—*Offices in Morocco.*—The current 20c stamp has been surcharged "Tetuan" for use at that port.

SWEDEN.—We are now able to illustrate the new 4 ore stamp chronicled some time since.

SWITZERLAND.—We have received from Mr. Schachne a celebration card of special design with a colored picture covering the reverse, near the bottom of which is "Die Wachter der heimat pro patria". The card carries the current 5c green stamp which forms the upper right corner of frame. The latter is a curved leaf pattern and the same also extends across below the headlines and meets the lower corner of the stamp, as well as a perpendicular portion dividing the card in halves. Headlines (1) "Bundesfeier—Postkarte", (2) "Carte Postale—du 1 er Aout" in two lines at left, and same in Italian at right. Size 145x96.

The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the new series of postage due stamps for the Republic, in an entirely new design. The Helvetian Cross appears in an oval in the centre of the stamp with a range of snowy mountains across the top of the stamps, with Alpine flowers at either side of the oval. The value is contained in an upright oblong tablet in the centre of the bottom of the stamp. The values, the cross and the flowers are in red. The paper has the current watermark of the adhesives.

Postage Due Adhesives.

1c blue green and red.
5c blue green and red.
10c blue green and red.
20c blue green and red.
25c blue green and red.
50c blue green and red.

The New England Stamp Co. has also shown the current 25c value in a tete-beche pair.

URUGUAY.—It will be noted from the accompanying illustration, that the commemorative set, chronicled some time since, presents a striking appearance.

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Post Card.

1d dark blue on buff.

OUR BOOK REVIEW.

We have the privilege of reviewing a scholarly, philatelically, and sumptuous, typographically, addition to philatelic literature: A Study of the Stamps of Uruguay, by Hugo Griebert. The work is No. 10 in the series of the Stanley Gibbons Philatelic Handbooks; and we cannot easily conceive of a more attractive selection of subject at the present time. Uruguay has long been one of the most popular of stamp issuing countries and we believe that the number of collectors who give to it specialistic attention of a degree ranging from moderate to extreme is proportionately large. In particular, they will welcome the book under notice as conveying in fitting manner all the known details of the stamps, together with the results of individual research. An advantage may properly be claimed by the set of seven sheets of photographic illustrations and the numerous cuts scattered throughout the text. The first sheet or plate shows the 35 types of the 1856 or "Diligencia" issue; the second plate, 31 of the 35 types of the 1 real, same issue, and the third various varieties of the three denominations of the issue in question. The fourth plate is a photograph of the 29 types of the 240c 1857, showing position of the blank space for one stamp in the setting of sheet of thirty spaces, and plates five and sixth present the thin and thick numerals of 1859 and 1860, respectively. The seventh plate gives fifteen of the prominent varieties of the 5c 1866.

The information that is given on the ninety broad pages seems to be the last word on the stamps of Uruguay. From the fascinating first issue, the "Diligencia" stamps, to the present day stamps, the emissions are described in a way to meet all expectations; and the reference value of the photographs, practically, of reconstructed plates of the early types is immeasureably great, and they will serve admirably as a guide for those whose enthusiam carries them to the heights of specialism. From all points of view, the monograph is ideal and Mr. Griebert has essayed and accomplished his work so well that the results redound greatly to his credit as a student and writer. The price of A Study of the Stamps of Uruguay is fifteen shillings, postage nine pence; Stanley Gibbons, Limited, 391 Strand, London, England.

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By D. B. Armstrong.

On February 12th, 1908, there suddenly dropped anchor off Georgetown, the private steam yacht "Zenaida," with Sir Frederick Johnson and the Countess of Wilton on board, and before the vessel's departure an offer was made to carry a mail to Cienfuegos, Cuba. The local authorities gladly availed themselves of this offer, as in the ordinary course no mail was due until the end of the month.

There was but one difficulty that presented itself, and that was the fact that as the majority of letters were as usual consigned to the United States, a large number of 2½d stamps were required. The supply of this value in the Postage-Postage type was unfortunately quite exhausted and the postal authorities were relying upon the receipt of a consignment in the new Postage and Revenue type by the vessel which would take off the next outward mail. By the arrival of the "Zenaida" their calculations were, however, completely upset, and as it was deemed advisable to harvest the rapidly declining ½d and 1d stamps instructions were issued for a sufficient number of 4d Postage-Postage stamps (of which a small quantity was available), to be overprinted with the figures 2½d, thus to convert them into stamps of the lower denomination, in order to supply the public demand for the outgoing mail.

Four sheets (480 copies) of the current 4d stamps were therefore surcharged by Mr. J. H. O'Sullivan, Inspector of Police, as directed, by means of a metal handstamp, in a similar manner to that employed for the 1907 surcharges. Of these, the writers are in a position to state definitely that only two sheets were actually used in the ordinary course of postal business, the remaining two being purchased in their entirety by a local speculator. To applicants for these stamps at the Post Office not more than six were supplied to any one person, and by the 14th of the month all had been sold.

The metal handstamp with which these stamps were overprinted, and which was destroyed on the same day, shows the same peculiarity as its predecessor of the ½d on 5sh overprint, in that all the figures are identical in size, and there is no fraction bar between the 1 and 2 of ½; but the type used is in this case of a slightly smaller fount.

Only one variety of importance is known to the writers, embodying a double impression of the overprint, but as in the case of the other provisionals, specimens may be found on which portions of the surcharge have failed to print clearly.—*Stamp Lover.*

BRITISH STAMPS USED IN CHILI.

By D. Haworth.

It always strikes me as a great pity that when anyone sets out to write on a country in which stamps of some other country have been used, he carefully omits these extremely interesting varieties.

I suppose, strictly speaking, British stamps used in Chili cannot be called Chilian stamps, seeing that they were issued by the British Post Office. But, nevertheless, no one who specializes in this particular country, can afford to leave them out, if he wishes to make his collection complete.

The following notes, which I have collected together, are not by any means exhaustive. They merely give an outline of the various town postmarks which exist, and the stamps on which they may be found. There are numerous varieties in both obliterator and date stamp which are not mentioned, as for example, the Valparaiso mark may be found in quite a collection of shapes and sizes.

There were only three towns in Chili which were considered of sufficient size for a special number to be allotted them namely: Valparaiso, Caldera and Coquimbo.

The office at the first of these was opened in 1865, and British stamps were used there for foreign correspondence right up to 1881 when Chili entered the Postal Union. Specimens of the 1883-4 issue of Great Britain are said to exist with this postmark. If this is true the office cannot have been closed in 1881, as is stated by Messrs. Nissen and Bernstein in their article on "British Stamps used Abroad" in *G. S. W.*, vol. VII.

Valparaiso is the largest port on the west coast of South America, and owing to its immense trade, at least a tenth of its population are Europeans.

The office number is C30. It may be found either alone or accompanied by a circular date stamp having "Valparaiso" curved round the top, "Paid" at the bottom and "A..... (date) ..... (year)" in three lines in the centre. As I mentioned above, the obliterator may be found in a variety of shapes and sizes. The stamps which are at present known used here are as follows:

1d red, 1858, plates, 152, 157, 162, 167, 175, 178, 181, 185, 187, 189, 195, 197, 198, 200, 201, 209, 210, 212, 214, 215, 217.
1d Venetian red, 1880.
1½d red, 1870 plate 3.
2d blue, 1858, plates 9, 13, 14, 15.
2d lilac, 1883-4.
2½d lilac, 1883-4.
3d rose, 1867-9, plates 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10.
3d rose, 1873, plates 11, 12, 14, 16, 17, 18.
4d vermilion, 1865-7, plates 10, 12, 13, 14, 15.
4d sage, 1876-80, plates, 15, 16, 17.
6d lilac, 1862, plate 4.
6d lilac, 1865, plates 5, 6.
6d lilac, 1867, plates 8, 9, 10.
6d brown, 1872-3, plate 11.
6d buff, 1872-3, plates 11, 12.
6d grey, 1872-3, plate 12.
6d grey, 1873, plates 13, 14, 15, 16, 17.
6d grey, 1880, plate 17.
8d orange, 1876-80, plate 1.
9d bistre, plate 4, watermark emblems.
9d bistre, 1865-7, plate 4.
9d bistre, 1867-9, plate 4.
10d brown, 1867-9, plate 1, light & dark shades.
1sh green, 1665-7, plate 4.
1sh green, 1867-9, plates 4, 5, 6, 7.
1sh green, 1873, plates 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13.
1sh salmon, 1880, plate 13.
2sh blue 1867-9, plate 1, milky & pale shades.
2sh brown, 1880.
5sh rose, 1867-9, plates, 1, 2.
10sh grey-green, 1878, watermark Cross.
£1 brown-violet, 1878, watermark Cross.

The next town is Caldera. It is a seaport in the province of Atacama, with a fine harbour. The chief exports are borax, copper and silver ores.

In 1865, when the office was opened there was very little trade, consequently the stamps are rare.

The number allotted was C37.

The obliterator was impressed in either blue or black, together with a date stamp on the letter.

The stamps known used here are as follows:

1d red, 1858-64, plates 88, 95, 195.
1½d red, 1870, plate 3.
2d blue, 1858-64, plate 9.
3d rose, 1865-7, plate 4.
3d rose, 1867-9, plate 5.
3d rose, 1873, plates 12, 16, 17, 18, 19.
4d vermilion, 1862, plate 4.
4d vermilion, 1867-9, plate 14.
4d vermilion, 1876, plate 16.
6d lilac, 1865-7, plate 6.
6d lilac, 1867-9, plates 6, 8, 9.
6d grey, 1873, plates 11, 14, 15, 16, 17.
8d orange 1876-80, plate 1.
9d bistre, 1867-9, plate 4.
10d brown, 1876-80, plate 1.
1sh green, 1867-9, plates 4, 5.
1sh green, 1873, plates 8, 10, 12, 13.
2sh blue 1867-9.
2sh brown, 1880.

Coquimbo, the third town, is situated on a fine bay and has excellent facilities for a shipping trade.

There is, I believe, a large smelting works there, and a big trade in copper and other ores is carried on.

There is also a very considerable amount of trading in cattle with Peru and Valparaiso.

When the office was opened I cannot say, but it cannot have been before 1865. It was closed probably about 1881.

The obliterator used was C40, and a date stamp was impressed on the letter, but never, as far as I know, on the stamp.

3d rose, 1865-7, plate 4.
3d rose, 1873, plates 18, 19.
4d vermilion, 1865-7, plate 14.
4d sage, 1876-80, plate 16.
6d lilac, 1862, plate 4.
6d lilac, 1867-9, plates 6, 8, 9.
6d buff, 1872-3, plates 11, 12, 13.
6d grey, 1873, plates 14, 15, 16.
9d bistre, 1867-9, plate 4.
1sh green, 1865-7, plate 4.
1sh green, 1867-9, plates 4, 5, 6.
1sh green, 1873, plates 8, 10, 12 13.
2sh blue 1867-9.
2sh brown, 1880.
5sh rose, 1867-9, plates 1, 2.

I have recently come across a 4d sage green plate 16, postmarked "Carmen Alta." I have searched vainly for information as to the position, etc., of this town, but the only "Carmen" which I can find is Solar del Carmen, situated about fifty miles inland from Copiapo.

The mark consists of two concentric circles. Round the top is curved "Carmen Alta," at bottom is "Chile," and across the centre is the date. The whole is impressed in blue and looks very much as if it had been done with a rubber stamp.

So far I have not mentioned Africa, Cobija, and Iquique.

These three towns were originally Peruvian, but were captured by Chili. The offices which, however, had been opened by Great Britain, belong entirely to the Peruvian Administration, and were immediately closed on the outbreak of war between Chili and Peru and Bolivia. All British stamps therefore which have been used there are either Peruvians or Bolivians, and, as such, do not come within the scope of these notes.

In conclusion it might be interesting to note that, when these offices were first opened, the postal rates were 2sh per half ounce. In 1870, however, they were reduced to eighteenpence, while in 1878 there was a further reduction of sixpence per half ounce, at which rate it remained till the offices were closed.—*Phil. Jour. Great Britain.*

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APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Dosch, Chas. F., Jr., 238 Wilbur Ave., Columbus, Ohio; age 28; Mechanical Engineer. Reference: G. H. Mueller, Chief Engineer, Jeffery Mfg. Co., Columbus. Proposed by Geo.K.Smith, Jr., No. 2472.

Cramer, Chris. L., 2125 N. 44th Ave., Chicago, Ill.; age 37; Letter Carrier. References: N.W.State Bank, Iver R. Johnson. Proposed by Hugh M. Clark, No. 3183.

Leland, Ralph Marshall, R. F. D. No. 1, Weston, W. Va.; age 25; Engineer. References: F. P. Fisher, Weston, W. Va.; J. L. Wolff, Milwaukee, Wis. Proposed by Hugh M. Clark, No. 3183.

Appleyard, Frank, 66 Leonard St., New York City; age 37; Credit Manager. Reference: Harding, Tilson & Co., Dry Goods Commission, 66 Leonard St., N. Y. Proposed by Percival Parrish, No. 1868.

Grant, Jas. G., 19 So. Forge St., Akron, Ohio; age 49; Oculist. References: Central Savings & Trust Co., Akron, O. Proposed by O. S. Hart, No. 1885.

RESIGNATIONS RECEIVED.

3440. Raymond, F. C., London, Canada.
2567. Montgomery, F. S., Shepard, Ohio.
2614. Fowlie, Alexander E.,Leadville,Col.
1839. Pettibone,H.W., Minneapolis,Minn.
2881. Forbes, Z. R., Brookline, Mass.
2535. Mattern, Edwin L., Pittsburgh, Pa.
2946. Keller, Dr. S., Milwaukee, Wis.
3347. Semans, Dr. H. M.,Columbus, Ohio.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

2499. Wood, G., from El Paso, Tex., to 90 Hamilton Place, Oakland, Cal.
2052. Parker, H. T., from Wilsonville to 405 N. St. Joe Ave., Hastings, Nebr.
2684. Wharton, J. N., should read 2441 Grenshaw St., Chicago, Ill.
3445. Plummer, Edwin L., from 464 27th Ave. to 1127 26th St., Milwaukee.
2053. Taylor, Edward M., from Berlin, Germany, to Box 341, Altadena, Cal.

W. H. BARNUM, Sec.

THE STAMP MARKET.

BY SENEX.

Of the Argentine Centenary set, prices have been seen for *used* copies as follows: 1c, 1d; 5c, 1d; 10c and 12c, 1½d each; 30c, 5d; 50c, 8d; 1 peso, 1s. Possibly the ½c, 3c, 4c, 20c and 24c, may not be too plentiful.

One and 2 dollars Columbus issue of U. S. A. seem to sell for a higher figure than our English catalogue quotations.

The dearness of some French Colonial obsolete Postage Dues strongly reminds one of the motto "Carpe diem".

Of Canal Zone, the 8c and 10c, of both 1906 and 1909, seem available now in some quantity, and should be in demand. There are also items to be picked up here and there per 100, such as the ½c tricoloured Panama and the 2½c orange of 1906, which should be good things to have. The 1c and 2c 1906 seem dear, while the 25c and 50c take some finding.

Honduras 1907 is a good selling set, to be enquired for from some English dealer who is known to have correspondence with South America.

The 3c Ecuador 1907 should be snapped up when seen per 100; such a quotation may occur only while the stamps are current or soon after. I once saw the 15 paras Servia 1903, surcharged Arms, offered per 100, but only once. The 2c Ecuador is also not a bad stamp, the 5c and 10c seem likely to spread themselves through the generations to come, the 20c should be worth getting 25 copies of, and the higher values where they can be met with.

It is common knowledge that increased prices are obtaining for the British 1d black; perhaps other similar old British may be expected to move up likewise. The 2s 6d Queen, for example, is much too cheap.

There are certain stamps which a dealer does not have in sufficient quantities to make a quotation of; these he probably puts on one side in case they should be enquired for, and there is wisdom in making such enquiries. I am thinking of the 15c Tunis 1906, most 20c values of used pictorial French Colonies, 4c Mexico and similar stamps.

Like the men of Athens our quest is ever for something new. They say there is nothing new under the sun, but that proverb was probably invented before the stamp era. We are waiting to see some of the new Argentine centenary stamps listed, in used condition. It is said that folks have been investing in the 4c value of these, but that more are to be printed. Hurray! So we get some after all.

The 3c on 1 gulden Holland Postage Due, issued in July, 1910, is priced fifteenpence in a Continental list, used or unused, and 2sh 6d in yet a second list. Why this dearness? The ordinary 3c unpaid, issued about the same time, can be had for a penny.

It seems there is now a 35c French Morocco, an overprint on the 35c current French; this should be a nice stamp to get.

Possibly a good investment would be the 3c Cuba pictorial of 1899; prices vary for this stamp considerably.

One wonders why the 12c Argentine 1909, is cheaper (in quantity) than the 12c of 1899. The former has had but a year in which to accumulate, yet is quoted for per hundred, but a price for a hundred of the 1899 stamp is not often met with. I am almost tempted to make a similar comparison between the 5c Salvador 1903 and the 5c values of 1906 and 1908, but have not sufficient evidence as yet.

The Crete Service stamps, of which there seem to be two denominations only, the 10 and 30 lepta, exist with and without the overprint "Ellas"; the plain variety apparently comes first in point of time, and is also perhaps slightly the scarcer of the two sorts; I got a few of the surcharged 36 lepta, and they seem to sell very well. I fancy they are not scarce, but you have to know where to look for them.—*Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly.*

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" " " 2c green (" 662)	.08	.03
" " " 4c carm. (" 663) scarce	.10	.03½
" " " 10c blue & orange (No. 665)	.12	.03½
Netherland 1898, 1 gld green, fine	.05	.01½
" " gld 2.50 (No. 85) fine	.30	.15
" " 5 gld claret (No. 86) perfect, fine	.85	.48
" 1906, **Unpaid,** 50c on 1gld blue and carmine (No. 224)	.40	.32
" " " 6½ on 20c, fine, scarce	.06	.05
" 1908, **Provisional,** 4 on 6½, scarce	..	.07½
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BERNE STAMP EXHIBITION.

By FRED J. MELVILLE.

(We conclude this week the report of the Berne Exhibition as written for the London *Telegraph* by Mr. Melville. It is a very newsy summary of matters of general interest and we feel assured that our readers will appreciate the same. It will be noted that Mr. Melville names but one U. S. exhibitor, Chas. L. Pack, Mr. Duveen being credited to the ranks of the London collectors. We congratulate Mr. Pack upon the honors awarded him.—ED.)

The task of judging the collections occupied the judges the greater part of three days, and the difficulty of their task was not lessened by the fact that the seven judges in attendance hailed from six different countries, using five different languages. I have no doubt that their decisions will be acclaimed the soundest of any international philatelic jury for many years past. Last year at Amsterdam there was a glut of medals, and so far from conferring distinction upon the recipients, the glory was to the two or three who escaped the honours so lavishly scattered.

The Berne judges, too, had a surfeit of medals, but they have wisely refrained from using all at their disposal. They have increased the number of silver-gilt medals by six, including one specially awarded to Mr. M. P. Castle, J. P., of Brighton, for the philatelic study shown in his display of Trinidad. This collection would not otherwise have received an award, as it does not contain any of the other issues of Trinidad stamps than the 1d lithographed stamps of 1852, of which there are 295 copies, showing the reconstruction of sheets and the various stages of the impressions.

In adding to the number of the higher awards, it is clear that it has been extremely difficult to adjudicate between many of the different countries which have been grouped together into one class for the purposes of the competition. The number of really first-class collections here is high, but there are scarcely any of the smaller collections worthy of an award. Altogether the jury has awarded two cups (Grand Prix), ninety-five medals, and forty-five diplomas.

RARE SWISS STAMPS.

The Grand Prix for Switzerland has been awarded to H. Jaggli-Weber, of Wintherthur, president of the Union of Swiss Philatelic Societies, for exhibits of the early cantonal stamps used on the original envelopes, and of the Swiss Federal issues from 1850 to 1910. In the same class Mr. H. J. Duveen, of London, receives the gold medal for his collection of early Swiss stamps, which is rich in rarities, and is in point of monetary value one of the best in the exhibition. It is worth not less than £5,000.

Mr. Victor Beaujeux, also of London, has been awarded a silver-gilt and a silver medal for the carefully-studied collections of Swiss stamps described in my last letter. M. Seinet-Jenneret, of Neuchatel, has secured a silver-gilt and a silver medal in this class, and his Swiss colleagues divide three silver and four bronze medals between them.

In the championship class the result has been fairly clear all along, at any rate as regards the two English competitors. A collection of French stamps cannot well compete against a fine collection of one of the Australian States. Victoria, for example, allows a great scope for original research on the most approved philatelic lines. Consequently, although Mr. Franz Reichenheim, of London, has practically exhausted the possibilities of a collection of French stamps, it could not properly be given precedence, or even equal rank, with one of Mr. Leslie L. R. Hausburg's unapproachable collections of the stamps of our Australian Colonies. Mr. Hausburg's sole rival, therefore, was an Italian collector, Cav. Avv. Augusto Cave Bondi of Livorno, who had entered a gigantic collection of Italy and Italian States, so large, indeed that it could not have been displayed in the show-cases without crowding out a great many of the other exhibits. So the collection is in a locked cabinet containing the twenty-four large albums which the collection occupies. The extent of the collection, and the fact that it was not on view in the usual way, led to the belief among the visitors that Signor Bondi's collection would carry off the Championship Cup. but through the courtesy of an Italian philatelist, acting for the owner, I inspected the volumes, and I found them rich in stamps of great price, but presenting no signs of any efforts on the owner's part to elucidate the historical and technical problems that confront the student of the stamps of the Italian States. In this

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collection, I may mention, there is the rarest stamp in the whole of the exhibition. It is the 80c Parma, used together with a 20c on the one letter. This is the only known used copy of this stamp.

For study, however, Mr. Hausburg's collection ranks first, and thus the championship gold cup goes to an English philatelist. Cavalier Bondi has been awarded a gold medal, and Mr. Franz Reichenheim's "France" gets a special diploma of honour.

SICILY'S EXHIBITION.

It is a pity that space did not allow of the display of Cavalier Bondi's collection, for it must be conceded that the most fashionable stamps in the exhibition have been those of the European States, and of the Italian States in particular. Sicily leads in this respect, and the exhibition had not been open an hour when M. F. Robert, of Berne, had sold his collection of Sicily, displayed in Class 3, to a collector from Leeds for a large amount. In the private transactions in the exhibition restaurant, and at the "festbourse," there were many more buyers for Sicilian stamps than sellers, and all the regular dealers were cleared out of their stocks of these stamps during the first day of the exhibition. These stamps are selling at more than the top catalogue quotations, and the new English catalogue to be published in a few weeks' time has the prices of all the varieties greatly enhanced.

I can only refer to the chief of the other awards made by the jury. The King's collection of Nevis, although not stated to be "hors concours," does not figure in the prize list. It is only a very small collection in any case, and was no doubt contributed with the generous and gracious intention of supporting the exhibition. The Earl of Crawford, who has collections of the greatest importance, is only showing a few pages of Neapolitan stamps, for which he receives a silver-gilt medal. Prince Doria Pamphily of Italy, is only showing a few examples of rarities of early Italian States, for which he is awarded a silver medal.

Mr. H. J. Duveen, in addition to the gold medal for his Swiss collection, gets a second gold medal for his extraordinary collection of Mauritius. Since this collection was last exhibited the owner has added the two superb copies of the "Post Office" Mauritius stamps which came from the collection of the late Sir William Avery, Bt. These two stamps are worth about £3,000 the pair. A block of four of the one penny "Post Paid" stamps in the unused state, cost the owner £1,000, and is one of the finest things in the exhibition.

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There is only one American exhibitor, Mr. C. Lathrop Pack, who shows four collections—Brazil, New Zealand, Cape of Good Hope, and Spain—receiving a silver-gilt medal for each. His important collection of Uruguay, which would probably have secured a higher award, was not here, as it had been sent to the Argentine Philatelic Society's exhibition which is now proceeding at Buenos Ayres.

The exhibition is a great success. The attendances are much larger than at Amsterdam last year, and even larger than the London International Philatelic Exhibition of 1906. The German collectors and dealers can always be relied upon to turn up in large numbers at these meetings; the Austrian philatelist's have come to Berne to learn as much as they can in view of the Vienna International Show next year. The Italians are here, and their presence has enabled those who are devoting their energies to the now fashionable stamps of Sicily, Tuscany, and other States to get some interesting additions to their collections. All the leading London dealers have been in the Swiss capital for nearly a week. The cosmopolitan crowd of visitors presents a very curious spectacle to the tourists here, for in every restaurant and in the hotels groups of collectors and dealers are conducting stamp transactions from morning till night, and on to the morning again. To-day the Organizing Committee had planned for a "Festbourse," or "Bourse de Fete." A large hall in the Casino building was laid out with small tables, at which the dealers sat at the receipt of custom, and several hundred visitors spent a busy day bargaining for exchanges and purchases. Some of the London dealers were buying very heavily.

A special meeting of the Bernese Philatelic Society held an animated discussion on the subject of international legislation for the suppression of stamp forgeries. Visitors from several countries detailed the state of the law regarding forgeries of postage stamps in their home countries. The trouble is that while each country's laws sufficiently protect stamps issued under the authority of their own particular Government, they do not put the laws into practice in cases where stamps of other countries are concerned. The raising of the discussion in Berne, the headquarters of the Universal Postal Union will, it is hoped, bring the matter prominently before the next convention of the parties to the Postal Union.

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OUR BOOK REVIEW.

The Wonderland of Stamps.—By W. Dwight Burroughs (Fredk. A. Stokes Co., publishers, N. Y. City). This is a very attractive book of some 250 pages, bound in cloth with the cover page printed in a rich combination of colors. The author has rendered a distinct service to philately in writing this book, which will aid materially in popularizing stamp collecting. It deals with what might be called the popular side of philately, opening up to the general public a field of information that will prove as instructive as it is entertaining. It is indeed a misfortune that so many people have such remote ideas of the educational value of the postage stamps of the world. The author suggests that this little book will help to relieve us of this same misfortune.

The book is written in a vein designed to attract and hold the attention of children and we are sure that the style adopted will prove fully as interesting to those of more mature years. The author introduces members of the family circle who are made to talk stamps and stamp scenes and all in so natural a manner as to secure and clinch the attention of the casual reader.

The book is freely illustrated, the cuts showing up clearly and distinctly. Some two hundred are shown. The titles of some of the chapters will give one an idea of its scope: —"The Smallest Show on Earth", "The Songless Aviary", "A Little Peep at a Little Land", "Myths in Miniature", "Christmas and the Cross", "Thumb-nail Maps", "Ships that Pass through the Mails", "Tiny Locomotive Mail Carriers" and "Bits of Paper Worth Fortunes".

We who are acquainted with the splendid work Mr. Burroughs has done for the A. P. S. educational committee are well aware of his splendid capabilities as an author. The writer of this review counts it as a privilege to have a share in this latest bit of missionary work, as it was through his efforts as secretary of the National Stamp Committee that Mr. Burroughs became interested in work of this kind.

Uncle Phil and the pleasures of his stamp collection should touch a responsive chord with young America and we feel sure that the readers of the WEEKLY will themselves want to own and read this book, the most pretentious thing of its kind American philately has ever seen. We regret our inability to quote the price of the book. A line to the publishers will no doubt bring the desired information.

Philadelphia Stamp Club Year Book.—The publication committee with A. F. Henkels as chairman gives us a very interesting and comprehensive review of the work of this society in the volume before us. It is of particular value in that it gives an outlined history of the several consolidated bodies, particulars of which have already appeared in the philatelic press. In this book appear the statutes of the Club, rules governing the sales department and auctions, reports of the officers for 1910 and membership list. To the members of the club this book must be a very useful publication.

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The annual convention of this society will be held at Kansas City, Mo., commencing Monday morning, Oct. 3, when the convention will be called to order at the Hotel Kupper. The entertainment to be furnished guests and local members will consist of the following: —Monday afternoon, auto ride over thirty miles of Kansas City's fine boulevards; Monday night, trip to Electric Park where the Missouri Valley Fair and Corn Carnival will be held; Tuesday evening, banquet at Hotel Kupper in honor of visiting delegates; Tuesday night, seats provided for the review of Kansas City's great annual Priests of Pallas Electrical Parade. Badges will be furnished and an exhibition of stamps will be provided for the sessions. All philatelists cordially invited.

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Wenden is a city of 6,300 inhabitants, and is the chief town of what was called, under the Polish dominion, the "Palatinate of Wenden," a title afterwards changed under the Swedes to "Circle of Wenden" (Germ., *Wendensche-Kreis*). Near the town, in the middle of a park belonging to Count Sievers, are the ruins of a castle, shown on the stamp in question. This castle was the second principal seat of the Order of the Sword-Bearers or Brethren of the Sword (*Schwertbrüder*), and later on the residence of the Livonian Masters of the Teutonic Order (*deutscher Ritterorden*) with which the old Order was incorporated about 1237. The building was enlarged under Walter von Plettenberg (1494-1535), the most renowned of those Masters who lived at Wenden. In 1577 it was besieged by the Czar Ivan IV., surnamed the Terrible, and was destroyed by its defenders to prevent it from falling into his hands. It passed into the possession of the Germans in the same year, and afterwards became the seat of the Catholic Bishop Patricius Nidecki, whom King Stephen Bathory had sent into those regions. Gustavus Adolphus of Sweden then gave it to the Chancellor Axel of Oxenstiern, and later on (1747) it was given by Elizabeth, Empress of Russia, to her minister, Count Bestouchev. Finally it passed to the Sievers family. Since the great fire of August 3rd, 1748, the greater part of the castle has been a mere ruin. In the west tower is still seen the hall of the Masters, with a roof of net-vaulting with 69 keystones.

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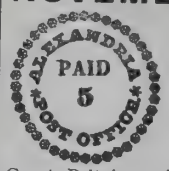

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THE "QUARTERLY" DENIED SECOND CLASS RATES.

We learn from the *Stamp Collector* that the A. P. S. *Quarterly* has been denied admission to the mails as second class matter. This is a stumbling block of no mean proportion and means a re-adjustment of plans if the *Quarterly* is to procure the much coveted privilege. The *Stamp Collector* points out how this is possible:—

"Secretary Adair of the American Philatelic Society is in receipt of a communication from the Post-office Department to the effect that the *American Philatelist* has been refused admission at second class rates to the mails of the United States on the ground that it is not a newspaper or other periodical publication within the meaning of the law.

The decision was based upon No. 2 of the *American Philatelist* which the authorities took as their means of refusal. In view of the fact that while the copy of that issue contained about four pages of textual matter on subjects that might be of interest to philatelists, the remaining 78 or 79 pages are devoted exclusively to the interests of the American Philatelic Society (membership lists) by which it is published—about nine-tenths of the entire space being used for advertisements and lists of names and addresses of the members of the society. Such a publication does not meet the Supreme Court's definition of a periodical admissible to the second class of mail matter.

The definition of the Supreme Court is as follows: "A periodical, as ordinarily understood, is a publication appearing at stated intervals, each number of which contains a variety of original articles by different authors, devoted either to general literatures of some special branch of learning or to a special class of subjects. Ordinarily each number is incomplete in itself, and indicates a relation with prior or subsequent numbers of the same series. It implies a continuity of literary character, a connection between the different numbers of the series in the nature of the articles appearing in them, whether they be successive chapters of the same story or novel, or essays pertaining to subjects of general literature. If, for instance, one number was devoted to law, another to medicine, another to religion, another to music, another to painting, etc., the publication could not be considered as a periodical, as there is no connection between the subjects and no literary continuity. It could scarcely be supposed that ordinary readers would subscribe to a publication devoted to such an extensive range of subjects.'

While this ruling may or may not seem to fit the case of the *American Philatelist*, it has so been construed by the Post-office Department.

The logical outcome or solution of this matter must be that in order to obtain second-class rates, and save a large amount of money in postage, to put the *American Philatelist* within the pale of the law, and do so at once, the by-laws and membership lists should be divorced from the *American Philatelist*. They should be printed separately in pamphlet form and given to every member of the Society, for if they still continue to be published only in the *Quarterly*, and the member does not subscribe for the same, he will not receive that to which as a member, is his just due. It is something to which all members are entitled and by continuing to publish them in the *Quarterly* will result in a further refusal of postal privileges.

The Board of Directors of the Society should act upon this at once."

The two editors of the WEEKLY were upon opposite sides of the proposition to establish a society journal as presented two years ago at the Columbus convention. Mr. Severn rather favored the idea while the writer believed the proposition inadvisable. We took the grounds that insufficient funds would be available to make the project successful and on the floor of the Columbus convention pointed out the difficulties in the way of securing second class rates—but all to no purpose! The *Quarterly* was to be born and for a year has been tossed about on a tempestuous sea. During this time, the writer has studiously avoided any comment or criticism. Even if not enthusiastic as regards the wisdom of publishing a society journal, MEKEEL'S WEEKLY will place in the way no barrier to its progress and try to be sufficiently broad-minded to appreciate success when success has been achieved.

The great Teutonic Order, or to give it its full title, "The Teutonic Order of the Hospital of St. Mary of Jerusalem," reached the zenith of its power at the beginning of the 15th century, when, as we read "its sovereignty extended from the Order to the Gulf of Finland, without reckoning its vast possessions in Germany, Italy, and other countries. In Prussia alone it owned 55 fortified towns, 48 fortresses, 640 villages with parish churches, and 2,000 free farms." Livonia was one of its strongholds, but the Reformation movement spread among the inhabitants, and it was one of the conditions of the compact with the King of Poland that he should maintain the Livonians in the Confession of Augsburg. This compact was made in 1561 when Gotthardt Kettler, the "Master of Livonia"—that is to say, of the Livonian branch of the Order—recognised the sovereignty of the Polish monarch, and on March 5th of the following year he handed to the Polish envoy in the town hall of Riga the cross and great seal of the Order, the title-deeds and privileges of the Teutonic Knights, and the keys of the city, and divested himself of the white mantle. In return for this and his oath of fidelity to the King, he was created Duke of Courland and Semigallia, while the renunciation of his Order gave him the opportunity of marrying a German princess.

The Marian Teutonic Order thus came to an end in Livonia. Since 1809, when Napoleon suppressed it in Germany and alienated its possessions there, it has survived only in Austria and at Utrecht. In both these cases it exists as a "severely aristocratic" body, that of Utrecht being Protestant and that of Austria Catholic; the latter is under the suzerainty of the Emperor, and carries on a work similar in nature to that of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem in our own country. In Austria are preserved the remains of its rich treasury and many of its archives.

To return to the stamps themselves, there are two varieties occurring with approximately equal frequency on each sheet. In one the sixth pearl at the lower left-hand side is plain; in the other it has a dot. There were three printings; the first with centre in *brown*, the second with centre in *red*; and the third with centre in *violet-red*.

On May 23rd, 1906, the remaining stock of all the Wenden stamps, old and modern, in the possession of the Livonian authorities, was burnt in the great fireplace of the Ritterhaus in Riga, a modern building where the Landtag sits. The *auto da fé* took place in the presence of the legal representative of the Chamber of Nobles and of two delegates of the Riga Philatelic Society. One of these writes: "It was a woefully hot fire! Especially noticeable were the 'Ruin stamps' of 1901 in entire sheets of 150 stamps, which curled up sorrowfully, and like grey clouds strove heavenwards through the chimney. Such a sight can never be forgotten." It was not, however, the stamps themselves that he mourned over; to him they were more than mere postal labels, for he looked on them as symbols of the old order of the things in Livonia.—*Monthly Circular.*

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EDITORIAL.

Postage Currency—L. E. Chittenden, in writing on the subject of "New Moneys of Lincoln's Administration," in *Harper's Magazine* in 1890, said in the course of his article, after having told of the suspension of specie payment by the banks, in December, 1861, and the disappearance almost by magic of the small coins from circulation: "The credit of devising a lawful and adequate remedy for this inconvenience belongs to General Francis E. Spinner, Treasurer of the United States. He found it impossible to facilitate as he desired to do the payment of the soldiers and sailors and to conduct the business of the Treasury with the small coins at his command. He therefore arranged with the Post-office Department to redeem in unused stamps such postage stamps as might be used for currency. In a short time, his department manufactured and produced a new issue. All the denominations were of uniform size. A piece of paper with one stamp pasted on it was five cents; one with two stamps, ten cents; five stamps, twenty-five cents, and ten stamps, fifty cents. In this way, at the cost of a little labor, a considerable amount of small change was manufactured. This currency became so popular that, instead of using stamps, plates were engraved for each denomination, in imitatian of the manufactured notes, the impressions from which had the same legal qualities and were used for the same purposes. These impressions were called the "Postage currency.'" The act of March 3, 1863, provided for the issue of fractional notes to replace the circulating media of postage and revenue stamps and postage currency. Mr. Gault patented his encased postal currency under date of August 12th, 1862.

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Progress—The preceding paragraph has been referred to in this column before and occasion was taken to animadvert upon the fact that these strips of stamps issued by the treasury department were unknown to philatelists; seemingly none of the currency in question had been preserved. Since the paragraph was published, interest has not been lost in the subject and from one who has attended to it, we have received an item. He found a slip of paper about two by four inches in size among some documents that had lain undisturbed for many years in an old desk, on which the outlines of four five-cent stamps, as probably they were, could be discerned, with the corner of a fifth to the extent of several perforations. The paper was blank save for the stamp remnant and may have been one of the pieces described by Mr. Chittenden. We have tried to account for the disappearance of these treasury department stamp slips by assuming that they, as well as the stamps that were handled singly, soon became so dirty and dilapidated that it was necessary that they be redeemed almost at once. As stamps of five-cent denomination were used rather infrequently by the average citizen and as this value alone was employed by the treasury department in the first issue, according to the writer we have quoted, it was inexpedient to retain the stamps on the score that they would be in postal demand. The stamp slips lacking any form of permanency were all redeemed practically and so they have not descended to philatelic posterity as the encased stamps and engraved postage currency have. The stamps were redeemable in sums of not less than five dollars in United States notes.

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Another Provisional—Last week, a few remarks were made on the twenty-cent, green Confederate split diagonally and used provisionally as a ten-cent stamp. An item in the New York *Commercial* of October 9th, 1861, showed that numismaty, as well as philately was enriched by a split provisional arising from an exigency of the civil war. It was read that the Citizens Bank of New Orleans is "circulating 'fives' cut in two, each piece to represent two and a half dollars."

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Fair Words—Gibbons Stamp Weekly, in its number dated September 17th, says: "Comparisons are proverbially odious, and it would seem that some incautious person on this side of the Atlantic has been drawing comparisons between the Philatelic Literature of Great Britain and that of the United States in a fashion that is not entirely complimentary to the latter." In the course of remarks inspired by the criticisms, the editor of our esteemed contemporary says: "A stamp Newspaper like MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS, has its uses from a social and personal point of view, and it also publishes from time to time philatelic articles, which we believe its readers are quite capable expressed by the writer that more stamp of appreciating;" and then regret is journals of substance and merit are not produced in America. We are pleased with the comment of the discriminating editor of our London contemporary. For almost twenty years, we have been conducting a stamp newspaper and we should have some idea of the workings of such a publication. Frankly, all this prelude merely is to introduce the following letter from a gentleman in the accuracy of whose judgment we have implicit confidence. Says he: "As a rule, the English publications have an air of substantiality about them that is not belied by their contents. Well, what of it? In your paper, I have found a note or 'scrap' that was the essence of an article that could have been spread over a page or so—and I prefer the tabloid form. You give the best magazine features without impairing the newspaper ascendancy that it must be admitted that you enjoy." We cannot bring ourselves to quote further as we think that our friend is unduly grateful because we once published an item referring to postal subjects discussed in the South Carolina secession convention that for reasons had a decided interest for him.

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Unties the Knot—A worried postmaster submits the following to an authority on post-office complications:

"A man comes to the stamp window and asks for 32 stamped envelopes, 25 postal cards, 7 one-cent stamps. I charge as per schedule:

25 stamped envelopes,	54c	
7 stamped envelopes,	15c	
		$0.69
25 postal cards,		.25
7 one-cent stamps,		.07
		$1.01

He figures that $1 is the correct price and computes thus—

8 stamped envelopes cost 17c, then 32 is 4 times 8, consequently 4 times 17,	$0.68
25 postals,	.25
7 one-cent stamps,	.07
	$1.00

Which is the correct way to figure this example?"

The Solomon says: "Both ways are correct, but you had the right to charge as you did because it was according to the schedule."

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Prize Winner—The Berne Philatelic Exhibition is accounted a huge success and among the medal winners is Charles Lathrop Pack of this country, who succeeded in obtaining two of the emblems of preferment. The display is described as one of the most striking ever made and much enthusiasm was shown in the wonderful aggregation of stamps by those present. King George and the Earl of Crawford were among the English exhibitors.

FORGED BR. SOLOMON ISLANDS.

We have received from the C. E. Hussman Stamp Co. sets of the 1907 issue of British Solomon Islands. The forgeries are poorly executed and are being exploited by Maurice Pollin, a Belgian dealer. In his letter submitting these sets for consideration Pollin also quotes prices on Surinam, 1909 provisional issue, 5c carmine. Dealers should profit by this information kindly sent us by the Hussman Co.

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THE STAMP MARKET.

By SENEX.

It is curious how different firms hit upon the same prices for used new issues. A London and a foreign firm quote prices simultaneously for used 30c, 50c and 1 peso Argentine, 1910, and they only differ in their estimate by about three-halfpence for the three stamps. How do they do it?

In a list to hand I see 2 francs pictoral Senegal, (price about 1sh), 100c Salvador 1907, 10d; 1 sol Peru 1909, 9d; 1dr Greek 1906, 6d.

The stamps of Colombia have been especially interesting of late years, and the new 1910 set seems an attractive series, and should be worth looking out for.

The proverb that "everything comes to him who waits" is exemplified in the Chilian snrcharges of 1904, which, some six years after issue, seem to have now accumulated in quantity; the 12c on 5c is cheap just now in Manchester.

Of European Unpaids, exchange correspondents are likely to have the 25lep Greek, the current 10 and 30st Bulgaria, but it is difficult to get any Luxemburg dues.

It looks as if the 1c Canada, Quebec, has ceased to be a penny stamp in most foreign parts, and has gone slightly higher; maybe some of the higher values will follow suit; anyhow, a good price is asked for them, where quoted.

There is evidence that the new Austria Jubilees of 1910 are slowly accumulating; we may have some quotations to record presently.

The 25h Montenegro 1902, proves a satisfactory seller; in fact most clean used Montenegro seem to find a ready sale, but the stamps are seldom cheap. They are worth putting on one's inquiry list.

It would be interesting to know what is the status and value of the current Philippine stamps surcharged "O.B." I have got some in a mixed thousand lot; the "O.B." is apparently a rubber stamp mark (?), of various sizes and thickness of type, red or purple, chiefly horizontal but occasionally slantwise, and in one instance it is a black, *printed* surcharge. Copies vary a good deal as to condition, and when a fine specimen is found it is a problem to fix on a price for it. Does any reader know what is a fair price for the 2c, 4c and 10c values with this overprint?

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Reference has been made in the WEEKLY to a discovery in connection with the 3c 1899 Cuba, that would add this value to the list of the re-engraved 1, 2, 5 and 10c values that appeared in 1905–7. Roessler's *Stamp News* in its current issue prints the following acknowledging its indebtedness to Mr. Morris for information above given: —

"A recent paragraph in this paper advertised the Cuban re-engraved set, adding that the 3c was not re-engraved but was included in the set to properly balance the album page. Mr. Morris wrote us that he had a copy of the 3c with the secret marks. We asked several of the most experienced dealers in this city and all were positive that they had never seen any but the first issue 3c. All added that if the stamp had been given a secret mark it would have been chronicled months ago. This latter statement usually clinched the argument in the minds of the experts.

Before placing the discovery in our columns we thoroughly investigated the matter and the fact that we publish it is evidence of our belief that the stamp was re-engraved and placed in circulation.

One of the paths in our investigation lead to the Bureau. Mr. J. E. Ralph, the director, graciously replied in part as follows: —

'I beg to state that the 3c Cuban postage stamp was given secret marks and the die was delivered to the Cuban government.'

Many students of stamps have written us giving what was believed to be the secret marks. In fact, so many wrote that they were sure they had it that we believed it was commoner than the regular issue. Apparently they overlooked the following facts which readily distinguish the two issues.

1—On the re-engraved the paper is unwatermarked. The regular issue is on paper watermarked U. S.—C.

2—The paper of the re-engraved is very white. First issue yellowish tinge.

3—The two issues are printed in distinct shades. First, dark; second, light.

4—The perforations of the re-engraved set are spaced 1 mm. wider than the Bureau specimens.

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THE DETROIT CONVENTION.

Editor Paul Mason of the *Stamp Collector* wields a trenchant pen. One who has followed him during the past months will not accuse him of favoritism towards the WEEKLY, indeed, he has lost no opportunity of letting the editors of the WEEKLY feel the power of his criticism and the sting of his sarcasm. With this introduction, we reprint the following editorial from his pen, dealing with the convention at Detroit:—

"The net result of the A. P. S. Convention at Detroit, apart from an exceedingly good time, seems to be capable of summarizing as follows: The discovery that an antiquated system, or lack of system, makes impossible the proper administration of the secretary's office; the equally important discovery that the Society has been living beyond its means; a public admission that the stock fund is a liability and not an asset, and (infrequently) that it must be conserved against the day of the only legitimate demand which may be made against it; decisions to expand the work of the Educational Committee and to leave largely in the hands of the Chicago members plans for the celebration of the Society's silver jubilee, next year; the voting of the official organship to MEKEEL'S WEEKLY and, by a viva voce vote, the withholding of the legitimate advantages of that organship by extending its privileges to any and all other weekly stamp papers in this country.

At present, we will comment briefly only on the last of these accomplishments. We were, frankly and above board, not in favor of MEKEEL'S for official organ, but in view of the confusion into which affairs had been plunged by the ruling of the Post-office Department, urged an equitable agreement whereby, until the Society can publish its own journal, both MEKEEL'S and *Redfield's* would publish the official records of the organization, and reap such advantage as they might therefrom. This could have been arranged without being unfair to either—or to the Society. But we submit that to elect MEKEEL'S as official organ, and then, and not until then and thereafter to throw down the bars to *Redfield's* and *The Philadelphia Stamp News* was to rob the WEEKLY of a legitimate advantage already voted, and to a man up a tree looks much like adding insult to injury."

From Mr. Mason's editorial, and what is seen in other pages of the *Stamp Collector*, we fear the "exceedingly good time" would not stand a close examination so far as discovering much of a real *philatelic* flavor. The two financial conclusions were patent to the writer two years ago at Columbus and the Society would now be spared the humiliation of obligations unpaid had several prominent leaders in that convention followed their sober judgment instead of being stampeded by the popular cry for a thing beyond its means.

We are aware that during these years, the Society paid the WEEKLY 35 cents for a subscription for each of its members, but during this time, we have rendered a dollar's worth of service for every dollar paid us. No money was ever invested by the society with better results. If this expenditure was beyond the Society's means, it, too, should have been curtailed but the record shows that the legislation of the past *two* years is responsible for the present financial shortage.

Editor Nast in the *Stamp Journal* gives a summary of membership statistics, interesting because it shows how it prospered during our terms as official journal. These are the figures:—

1905, 674	1907, 1,175	1909, 1,757
1906, 826	1908, 1,514	1910, 1,733

The great progress was made possible because we gave unstinted space and energy to an exploitation of society affairs. For two years, the managing editor of the WEEKLY was chairman of the A. P. S. Recruiting Com. the two years when a gain in membership of 582 was recorded. We used our mailing list as a feeding ground for recruiting purposes and what was our reward? As a result of this recruiting work, we were reprimanded by the Board of Vice Presidents, the good work ignored by the convention and now at Detroit, we find ourselves knocked down by the Resolutions Committee and later kicked out into the street by the convention. As Editor Mason says, it "looks much like adding insult to injury."

If the proxy vote in favor of MEKEEL'S WEEKLY meant anything, it meant that this paper was to be the official journal. *It did not mean that two or three other papers were to be co-equally official journals. A resolution* reported by the Resolutions Committee and adopted by a convention is thus permitted to nullify a proxy vote of the entire membership. The statutes call for an official organ, not a half dozen, and if a half dozen is wanted, the laws should be amended accordingly. Under the circumstances, we feel that the Society has, by its own action, abrogated the relationship that has existed in previous years and rendered us a poor return for the effort we have put forth in behalf of the Society.

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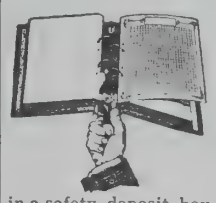

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(R. H. Lindman sends us a clipping from the Chicago *Tribune*, the purport of which is that Queen Wilhelmina has a grievance in connection with her picture on the Netherlands stamps. We do not know how much truth there is in the story. Newspaper correspondents must write about something and this article may be only a space-filler.—ED.)

Queen Wilhelmina is once more at odds with the postmaster general of the Netherlands, and, as usual, her differences with him are owing to her disapproval of the manner in which her features are represented on the postage stamps. Mynheer Pop, for that is the name of the dignitary in question, must have been prepared for the trouble. For the postmaster general's job is no easy one whenever the sovereign happens to be a queen or empress regnant, instead of a king or emperor. Feminine rulers never are satisfied with the ways in which they are portrayed on the stamps and coins of their realm. When Queen Wilhelmina was but 12 years old she expressed her serious displeasure to the postmaster general of the day for representing her as too young and foolish; and now she is angry because she thinks that the stamps give her an appearance of undue age.

When she assumed the reins of government she was offended because her face was pictured as too fat and chubby, and later on, after a few years of marriage, she again took the postmaster general to task because the stamps showed her as wan and thin. She frequently changes the fashion of wearing her hair, and the postmaster general has to keep track of this in connection with the stamps. The late Queen Victoria, though not quite as difficult to satisfy as Wilhelmina of the Netherlands, nevertheless gave a good deal of worry to her ministers about her effigy on the stamps, and Isabella of Spain is on record as having failed to show her well known good nature and sunny temper in her dealings about this matter with her various postmasters general, from the time when she attained her majority, in 1844, until her abdication, in 1868.

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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

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Any information regarding new issues will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Address HENRY A. KIDDER, 17 Addison St., Arlington, Mass. Letters calling for a reply should contain a self-addressed, stamped envelope. We cannot give applicants the addresses of our correspondents.

UNITED STATES.—Charles K. B. Nevin reports having seen the following varieties of 1907 envelopes not listed in his article of June 4th, 1910:

1c envelope, Die A, manila, size 6, request, gummed; from K. P. Smith.

2c, Die A2, carmine, amber, size 4, request; from E. F. Coffin.

2c Die A2, carmine, white, size 9, request; from A. B. Slater.

2c, Die C, carmine, buff, size 7, request; from K. P. Smith.

2c, Die A, carmine, amber, size 14, albino; from A. B. Slater.

AUSTRIA.—According to the *Postage Stamp*, the Vienna correspondent of a well-known English firm writes that "on August 18, before the head post office was opened, the street was blocked with a crowd of about 10,000 people waiting to buy the stamps. Two hours after the postoffice was opened the entire stock was sold out, and no more are to be issued; on the same day the stamps were selling amongst dealers in Vienna at 50 per cent over face value.

In addition to the stamps sold at the Vienna Post Office, there were also small supplies sent to the chief towns in Austria, but none of these received more than 100 sets, so that it is practically certain none of these are obtainable at any Austrian Post Office now except the 5, 10 and 25 heller values, the only ones which were sold separately."

BARBADOS.—*Ewen's Weekly* records the issue of two values in the new colors.

Adhesives.

2d gray.
1sh black on green.

COLOMBIA.—In No. 1021 we noted that the current 1c stamp had been seen without imprint of the printer at the bottom. We have now been shown this stamp on a cover by Frank C. Davis, and find that it is a new printing entirely. The design is slightly larger each way, but the printing is inferior, being rough and blurred, though the outer line is much more sharply defined than in the earlier printing.

Mr. Davis has also shown us covers bearing the 1c with "Arango", etc., close to design, imperforate on four sides.

CYPRUS.—A new wrapper is reported by the *Berliner Briefmarken Zeitung.*

Wrapper.

5pa olive brown.

ECUADOR.—Frank C. Davis has shown us two new provisionals from Ecuador, the tall and narrow fiscals being used like those chronicled in No. 1018, but without change in value. The overprint, which is in black in both cases, is like that on Nos. 37 to 380, inclusive, with dates changed to "1909 y 1910".

Provisional Adhesives.

Surcharged "Bienis—1909 y 1910".
1c brown violet.
5c green.

GILBERT AND ELLICE PROTECTORATE.—A special set of stamps has been issued for Gilbert and Ellice Islands, situated between the Marshall Islands and the Samoa group. Like the New Hebrides stamps, this new series has been made by surcharging the stamps of the Fiji Islands. The surcharges are all in black, except the 1sh, which is in red. Only specimen copies of these stamps have yet been seen, according to *Ewen's Weekly*.

Adhesives.

½d green.
1d carmine.
2d gray.
2½d ultramarine.
5d violet and olive.
6d purple.
1sh black on green.

JAMAICA.—The *Berliner Briefmarken Zeitung* reports the following new stamps, from specimen copies. The 2½d is in a single color in the Arms type, the others having the head of Queen Victoria.

Adhesives.

2½d ultramarine.
4d black on yellow.
1sh black on green.
2sh violet on blue

MEXICO.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us unused copies of the new series of stamps from 1c to 20c inclusive. We find that our previous chronicle was correct, except that the 1c, 3c and 15c are not in the same shades as the old set. The 1c is more of a violet, the 3c is yellow brown instead of brown orange, and the 15c is dull blue instead of lavender. The C. E. Hussman Stamp Co. has shown us used copies of the 1c and 2c values.

NEW HEBRIDES.—A new set of stamps is shortly to be issued for the Islands. According to *Ewen's Weekly*, the change consists in the omission of the bar across the word "Fiji".

NICARAGUA. — Frank C. Davis has shown us a cover with three copies of the provisional 10c on 15c slate, chronicled in No. 1029. Mr. Davis also shows us a cover, which in addition to a copy of the regular 15c slate, American print, has three 5c stamps, which appear to have been produced by lithographic transfer, though bearing tne imprint of the American Bank Note Co., N. Y., at the bottom. The printing is muddy, and very much darker than the regular issue. The three copies are either imperforate or have been trimmed so as to appear so, though as all are separate copies and trimmed close, it is impossible to be sure. All are likewise surcharged with a large "B" in black. The cover was mailed at Bluefields, Sept. 10, 1910.

Hermann Focke sends us a full sheet of 25 stamps of the recent Bluefields provisional, chronicled in No. 1027, and calls our attention to the following varieties:

The surcharge "Dpto. Zelaya" is in three distinct sizes of type—very small in the third and fourth rows, medium size in the first and second rows, and tall in the fifth row.

The surcharge "B" is heavy and tallest in the first and second rows, thin and tall in the third and fourth rows, and short and heavy in the fifth row.

On No. 15, the surcharge reads "elaya" for "Zelaya".

On No. 20, the "Z" of "Zelaya" is much larger than the others in the same row.

The word "Centavos" is fairly even all over the sheet, and without misprints.

PHILIPPINES.—Theodore Siddall sends us the 2c stamp in the new shade, being now yellow green instead of green. The paper also appears to have a yellowish shade.

Adhesive.

2c yellow green.

ST. VINCENT.—*Ewen's Weekly* reports that the ½d value has now been printed in the altered design.

SWITZERLAND. — *Ewen's Weekly* reports that the new series of postage due stamps, chronicled in No. 1030 includes the 2c and 15c values also.

Postage Due Adhesives.

2c blue green and red.
15c blue green and red.

SIAM.—We have received the following interesting and important contribution from Fred G. de Jesus of Bangkok, Siam:

"I read in the New Issues column of MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS of May 28, a paragraph copied from *Der Philatelist* giving the quantities of Siam stamps surcharged with new values in satangs, from which I noticed two values quite unknown to me; i. e., 3s on 2a dark green (1908) and 12s on 12a blue (1906). I showed this to Mr. Flores, Vice-Consul for Portugal, an active stamp collector, who immediately communicated with the Acting Director General of Posts and Telegraphs for verification. I now have Mr. Flores' permission to forward you for publication the enclosed copy of reply received from the Post Office Department, from which you will see that the stamps in question have not been printed for the government; probably for some dishonest speculators in stamps."

[*Copy.*]
Post & Telegraph Department.
BANGKOK, 29th July 1910.

Sir:—With reference to your letter of the 9th instant I have the honour to return enclosed herewith your list of the stamps surcharged in satang currency and on which I have corrected the number of stamps quoted by you. The two values, 3 satangs on 2 atts green, and 12 satangs on 12 atts blue, have not been printed.

I have the honour to be, sir,
Your obedient servant,
(sd) G. WOLF
for Ag. Director General of Posts & Telegraphs.
M. Luiz Carlos Manoel de Mello Flores,
Vice-Consul of Portugal, Bangkok.

Der Philatelist gave the quantities recently surcharged with new values in satangs, as printed in the first column. The figures printed in the second column are those corrected by the Post & Telegraph Department and the two values which do not exist are marked with a star.

On 1887 issue—14s on 12a lilac & carmine,	95,000	70,000
On 1904 issue—6s on 6a carmine,	150,000	156,000
14s on 14a blue,	20,000	27,000
On 1906-08 issue—2s on 1a yellow & green,	1,500,000	1114,200
2s on 2a dark green,	1,000,000	200,000
*3s on 2a dark green,	8,000	
3s on 3a violet gray,	700,000	735,300
3s on 3a yellow green,	unknown	8,000
6s on 4a rose,	550,000	560,000
6s on 5a carmine & rose,	16,500	16,500
12s on 8a black & yellow,	750,000	756,000
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" " 10c ..... .12
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" 1907, 12h, rare value ..... .04
" 1906, 72h, with bars ..... .04
" 1907, 72h, no bars, very rare ..... .25
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TAKE WITH A GRAIN OF SALT.

Many men in the course of the different hobby periods of their youth were struck with the stamp craze. Nearly all will recall the days that were spent in scouring the neighborhood for new varieties, the hours of pasting and counting, as well as many other tasks they somehow imagined themselves duty bound to perform.

This fact that nearly all men at some time in their life were stamp collectors is said to account for the popularity of the official stamp collection of the United States Post Office Department maintained in connection with the postal museum in Washington. Post Office Department officials say 100,000 men call every year to see the museum stamp collection.

The Post Office Department museum is not by any means a new institution, but many notable additions have been made to it in the last year. Consequently it is now quite full of interesting objects. It contains almost everything from a lock of Charles Guiteau's hair to models of the big battleships of the navy, but by far its most interesting feature, according to the officials in charge, is the stamp collection. Few visitors miss that sight and many "hobbyists" spend hours poring over it.

Uncle Sam as a stamp collector is a most signal success. He not only has a complete set of his own stamps but a complete collection from every other stamp issuing country in the civilized world as well. His collection is valued by the Department at $200,000, but stamp dealers say it would demand a figure many times that sum if placed on the open market for sale.

The fact that Uncle Sam's stamp collection is absolutely complete is a statement difficult to comprehend, even to those who have been collectors themselves. Most of those who were collectors in years gone by will remember how many empty places there were in their albums when they gloried in the possession of 1,500 and 2,000 specimens. They will recall how many new varieties above the 2,000 mark cost from $5 to $50 each, also the small fortunes placed on some of the specially rare specimens, the kind which the dealers' catalogues related had only been printed to the number of 100 or so and but six or seven were known to be in existence.

Well, Uncle Sam's stamp collection possesses all of these, besides the thousands of common kinds. Although it has taken hard work, many years and a tidy fortune to do it the collection today stands absolutely complete. The only varieties yet to be added are those yet to be issued.—*Baltimore American.*

"ODIOUS COMPARISONS."

The editor of *Gibbons Weekly* has a few words to say in connection with the philatelic literature of Great Britain and the United States, and his observations seem so sensible that we venture to reprint the same.

It will be remembered that the *Philatelic Record* a few months since published an editorial screed in which MEKEEL'S WEEKLY was taken strongly to task for not catering to the more advanced philatelist. The WEEKLY was given a black eye and American philatelic journalism consigned to the scrap heap.

Mr. Phillips appreciates the mission of MEKEEL'S WEEKLY and ascribes a proper place in philatelic literature to the philatelic newspaper. We lament equally with Mr. Phillips the failure of the U. S. to produce a monthly magazine that shall meet the wishes of our friends across the Atlantic. We have faith to believe that such a publication will ultimately appear. Perhaps Mr. Bartels' *Philatelic Gazette* may be the magazine. Then we have the *Stamp Journal* and the *Stamp Collector* and both of these magazines could readily be made to fit the needs of the hour.

By the way, speaking of the *Philatelic Record*,—have you seen the last number? It reminds me of a story. Pat had just returned from the war in which he had seen hard service and had lost a great deal of flesh. Upon his return home he chanced to meet a friend upon the street who remarked, "Pat, I'm glad to see you're back from the front," to which Pat replied, "Begorra, I knew I was thin, but I didn't think I was so thin as all that."

But here is the article referred to:—

"Comparisons are proverbially odious, and it would seem that some incautious person on this side of the Atlantic has been drawing comparisons between the philatelic literature of Great Britain and that of the United States in a fashion that is not entirely complimentary to the latter.

Good people are fond of telling us that we get just what we deserve in these matters, and we are glad to see that an exponent of stamp collecting over there is able to assure us that the stamp journals of the United States are exactly what the stamp collectors of that country desire. What they require is a stamp newspaper, not a philatelic magazine, and accordingly the newspaper flourishes and the magazine languishes.

No one, of course, will find fault with a newspaper because its contents are of a different nature from those of a scientific magazine. We should not dream, for instance, of comparing the *New York Herald* with the proceedings of an archæological society, to the prejudice of either the one or the other. But stamp collecting, or philately, is supposed to be a more or less scientific hobby, and we expect its nature to be reflected to some extent in its literature. A stamp newspaper, like MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS, has its uses from a social and personal point of view, and it also publishes from time to time philatelic articles which we believe its readers are quite capable of appreciating; but we greatly regret that the United States does not produce more journals of the nature of the defunct *American Journal of Philately* or the resuscitated *Philatelic Journal of America.*

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The meeting was called to order at 8.30 P. M. with 23 members present. The stamp bourse was again in full swing, at least twenty members participating in same. The most of the evening was devoted to the exhibition of the Philippines, the first prize being awarded to Mr. Isenstein for his superb collection. Next meeting Oct. 6th.

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Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—The Toledo Stamp Co. desires the address of F. H. Gilbert, formerly of Sacramento, Cal.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from Max A. Lesser (2), R. H. Lindman, Henry V. Blackburn, H. A. Wahlborg, Mrs. Helen R. Southworth, C. M. Breder, James F. Johnson, Marcel E. Taller, C. E. Thomas and V. Mozian.

—The *Philatelic Gazette* has made its bow and the new candidate for philatelic favor will no doubt receive a hearty welcome. The new paper has been freely advertised in the WEEKLY during the past month and we can frankly say that its publishers have lived up to their promises in providing us with a clean, newsy, and handsomely printed magazine, well worthy of hearty support.

—Our thanks are extended Mr. Kjellstedt for souvenir post card and list of awards from the Berne Stamp Exhibition.

STAMP COLLECTING AGAIN IN VOGUE.

We published a clipping last week under the above heading that should have been more carefully edited. At the end of the third paragraph will be found the sentence, "There it stops.", and this would have been a good stopping place for us in view of the character of the remaining paragraph. It will be news to our readers to learn that "all stamps really worth collecting have been printed from a wooden 'sheet', a sheet being a piece of wood upon which the engraver has carved out a compact square of twelve or more impressions."

THE DRUMMER

has now appeared and will be sent free on request. It prices over 400 bargains, the following being a few samples:

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3	1891, 4d brown and black, new ..	.15	.12
5	" 8d rose and blue, " ..	.30	.25
17	" 6d blue, " ..	.30	.20
43	1897, 1d blue and black, " ..	.06	.05
44	" 3d yellow " " ..	.15	.10
45	" 4d red " " ..	.25	.20
47	" 1sh lilac " " ..	.65	.45
72	Br. Guiana 1876, 1c slate, " ..	.15	.07
73	1876, 2c orange, " ..	.35	.20
93	1883, 1 on 96c, " ..	1.00	.40
110	1882, 6c brown, " ..	.50	.20
113	1889, 2c lilac, " ..	.60	.20
114	" 3c " used.....	.08	.04
117	" 6c " type I, new	.35	.15
118	" 6c " " II, "	.50	.20
119	" 8c " used.....	.25	.10
129	" 2c " "	.08	.04
138	72c lilac and brown, penmarked	.30	.15
147	1898, 1c red and black, new..	.08	.05
148	" 2c blue and brown, " ..	.30	.15
152	" 2 on 5c, " ..	.12	.05
9	Br. Honduras 1872, 3d brown, " ..	5.00	1.75
14	1884, 1d rose, " ..	.25	.10
24	1882, 20 on 6 yellow, " ..	.75	.25
27	" 2 on 1d rose, " ..	.08	.04
28	" 3 on 3 brown, " ..	.15	.06
29	" 10 on 4 violet, " ..	.25	.12
33	1891, 6 on 10 " " ..	.25	.10
34	" 6 on 10 " " ..	.20	.10
35	" 5 on 3 brown, " ..	.15	.08
36	" 15 on 6 blue, " ..	.50	.25
39	" 3c brown, " ..	.30	.15
42	" 24c yellow and blue, " ..	1.00	.45
43	1892, 1 on 1d green, used.....	.10	.04
5	Bulgaria 1879, 1fr black & red, used	.60	.25
1	Cameroons 1897, 2p brown, new..	.08	.06
2	1897, 5p green, " ..	.12	.08
5	" 25p orange, " ..	.35	.25
14	Canada 1859, 1c pink, " ..	.12	.05
15	1859, 5c red, used.....	.06	.03
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REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING SEPT. 24, 1910.

APPLICATIONS PENDING.

Harding, Newton H.
Heath, Donald R.
Staehle, Emil.
Evans, Thos. G.
Heth, John N.
Strader, G. N.
Dosch, Chas. F., Jr.
Cramer, Chris L.
Leland, Ralph Marshall
Appleyard, Frank
Grant, Jas. G.

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Nixon, Percy G., 718 E. 99th St., Cleveland, Ohio; age 24; Accountant. Reference: Browning Engineering Co., Cleveland. Proposed by R. H. Beatty, No. 3171.

Sherman, Frank A., Westerly, R. I.; age 30; Lumber. Reference: Geo. W. Taite, care Sawyer Belting Co., Cleveland. Proposed by Harry L. Taite, No. 3772.

Christie, Charles M., 3238 Wabash Ave., Kansas City, Mo.; age 26; Salesman, with Franklin Hudson Pub. Co. Reference: National Reserve Bank. Proposed by Frank Bescher, No. 278.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3861. Pietz, Adam, Philadelphia, Pa.
3862. Furger, Franz, Washington, D. C.
3863. Patterson, W. O., Colon, Panama.
3864. Seubert, Justin A., Syracuse, N. Y.
3865. Lagerberg, de, Guy, Passaic, N. J.
3866. Fuller, Everett S., Monterey, Mex.
3867. Anderson, Carl A., Weed, Calif.

RESIGNATIONS ACCEPTED.

548. Glasewald, A. E., Gossnitz, Germany.
3428. Papadachi, D, Rostov-on-Don, Russia.
2584. McCabe, F. E., Denver, Col.
3669. Brignardello, Chas. F., San Francisco, Cal.
345. Kleine, Wm., New York, N. Y.
3494. Ohlson, Elmer F., Ancon, C. Z., Panama.
3217. Schimmack, Aug. F., Washington, Pa.

RESIGNATIONS RECEIVED.

3433. Alderman, Justus, McConnellsville, Ohio.
3275. Holmes, L. Seale, M.D., London, Canada.
668. Andreini, J. M., 729 W. 75th St., New York City.
2338. Dickerson, Chas. E., Mt. Hermon, Mass.
3199. Pahl, Chas. A., 507 Union Station, Pittsburg, Pa.
1961. Parke, Orland M., 5347 Wynnfield Ave., Philadelphia.
3612. Newton, Frederick W., Saginaw, Mich.
2770. Saxl, B., 401 E. 156th St., N. Y. City.
2546. Halsey, A. E., 612 H. W. Hellman Bldg., Los Angeles, Cal.
3214. Shea, Jas. J., 853 Union St., Schenectady, N. Y.
2941. Zoll, Otto, 90 Haskell Ave., Clinton, Mass.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

2304. Dennett, J. E., from Arlington, Mass., to Box 61, Durham, N. H.
367. Lachasse, de, Gustave, from Oakland, Cal., to 3745 Sacramento St., San Francisco, Cal.
2656. Fisher, Chas. E., from Box 186 to Box 426, Taunton, Mass.
1880. Barker, G. R., from 423 S. Market St. to 318 S. Market St., Wichita, Kan.
924. Tickner, Henry L., should read 2418 Dwight Way.
1797. Raas, E., from 2911 Jackson St., to 100 Locust St., San Francisco.
3841, Bartleson, Rasmus, from Sunbeam, to Thief River Falls, Minn.
2965. Jansen, Chas. O., from 95 Passaic Ave. to 85 High St., Passaic, N. J.
2266. Kraft, Dr. F. A., from 248 9th St., to 710 Germania Bldg., Milwaukee, Wis.
3032. Remschel, Emil, should read 318 28th Ave. South, Seattle, Wash.
2372. Grim, J. W., from Timberville, Va., to 312 G St., N. E., Washington, D. C.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY.

Total membership Aug. 27, 1910 (as reported in good standing by Mr. Adair,	1747
New stockholders,	7
Suspended through error,	3
Total,	1757
Resignations accepted,	7
Total membership Sept. 24, 1910,	1750

Stockholders Nos. 3433, 2338 and 2941 paid arrearages and are included in above summary that their resignations may be acted on.

W. H. BARNUM, Sec.

CHICAGO BRANCH NO. 1.

(The following is a model Branch report. Will secretaries please accept the suggestion that these reports be boiled down as much as possible? We desire to publish the news and not mere incidentals that are not of general interest.—ED.)

The 289th regular meeting of the above Branch was held on the evening of September 7th with eleven members and one visitor present. The report of the Branch delegate to the Detroit Convention was rendered; and, with thanks to the retiring President, Mr. Whittaker, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, E. M. Rosenthal; Vice President, Arild Dahl; Secretary-Treasurer, Hugh M. Clark. The entertainment of the evening consisted of remarks by President-elect Rosenthal on the 25th anniversary Committee's suggestions for the 1911 Convention, and by an exhibit of the work of the Educational Committee of the parent Society during the past year, with an outline of what is proposed for the present year's campaign. It was proposed that the exhibit be sent to the various philatelic centers throughout the country. $5.00 was voted for the use of the Educational Committee.—HUGH M. CLARK, Sec.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

New Member: No. 208. Nessland, Victor, Jamestown, N. Y.

Application for Membership: Geo. W. Hartwell, 1549 W. Minnehaha St., St. Paul, Minn.; age 28; Teacher. References: Siegfried Schachne, Chillicothe, O., and Thomas P. Beyer, 1611 Taylor Ave., St. Paul (?). Proposed by President Schachne.

Dropped for Non-Payment of Dues: G. L. Engelke, O. N. Sanford, Dr. R. F. Teshan, Ed. W. Vose, Wm. Willard and N. Haskell Withee, and omitted from the revised list.

Dues received since June 30th: From Nos. 34, $1.00; 57, 50c; 196, $2.00; 134, $1.00; 105, $1.50; applicant, 75c; total $6.75, which has been sent to the treasurer.

Reinstated: No. 105. Withee, N. Haskell, Box 14, Minneapolis, Minn.

The revised membership list has been sent to all members. If any one failed to receive one, inform the secretary.

Apology for apparent neglect of the secretary: The reports since June 30th have failed to reach their destination, so this report covers from the last report printed—July 16th.

Wm. C. Stone has been appointed a member of the executive committtee, in place of Paul Lazarus, deceased, and he has accepted the office.

S. M. EDWARDS, Sec.

ARGUSVILLE, N. D., Sept. 19, 1910.

The Boston Philatelic Society.

W. O. WYLIE, Pres.; F. S. COOK, Vice Pres.; C. A. HOWES, Sec., 55 Kilby St., Boston; J. M. BARTELS, Int. Sec., 813 Old South Bldg., Boston; J. B. B. SMITH, Treas., Wollaston, Mass.; J. H. LYONS, Supt. Auc.; P. C. KIMBALL, Supt. Sales; I. W. RISDON, Supt. Bourse; J. M. BARTELS, Chmn. Expert Com.

Meetings first (informal) and third (regular) Tuesdays, Room 322, Tremont Bdg., 7.30 P. M.

BOSTON, MASS., Sept. 20, 1910.

The 232nd (regular) meeting was held at the Club Room this evening. President Wylie occupied the chair and 24 members were present.

The Library Committee presented the following: —

Report for Sept. 1910.

Accessions received since last report:

By donation: Illustrations of covers in Seybold Collection, American Philatelist XIX (1905), XXII, Part 1 (1908), XXIII, Part 1 (Nov. 1909); Annual Report U. S. 3d Asst. P. M. General, 1908; Internationale Philatelisten; Phila. Stamp Co. 24th Sale, priced; Official Catalog, London Exhibition, 1908; Stamp Collectors' Annual, Nissen, 1906; U. S. Revenue Society Year Book 1909; Catalogue "Exact," Matthey, 1910; Morgenthau's 33rd Sale; Filatelista, Vol. II, bound; all from W. O. Wylie. Philatelic Journal of America, Vol. XX, 1909-10, 6 mos., from C. H. Mekeel. 5 unpriced auction catalogs, 3 extra numbers (Detroit Convention, A. P. S. 1910) Philadelphia Stamp News, from New England Stamp Co.

And the current numbers of the following magazines, generously contributed by the publishers: Gibbon's Weekly, MEKEEL'S WEEKLY, Stamp Journal, Berliner Briefmarken-Zeitung, Postage Stamp, Redfield's Weekly, Attleboro Philatelist, Philatelic Journal of Great Britain.

The Secretary called attention to the new library cases, just set in place in the Club Room for the Seybold Library, the same being the gift of Mr. Dudley L. Pickman, and the new book-plate for the library, the gift of Mr. Francis C. Foster. Unanimous votes of thanks were passed to the generous donors for these gifts.

The following applications were posted: —

MR. HENRY ADES FOWLER, proposed by W. O. Wylie.

MR. WALTER T. MCQUESTEN, proposed by Henry F. King.

The following were elected members: —

No. 533. Charles R. Higbee, Jr.
No. 534. Michel A. Yaremdji.
No. 535. Capt. Arthur H. Bryant, U. S. A.

Mr. W. L. Aldrich was appointed to serve on the Entertainment Committee.

The remainder of the session was occupied with short addresses by members telling of experiences, finds, stamp stories, etc., which proved very entertaining.

Adjourned at 9.10 P. M.

C. A. HOWES, Sec.

IMPORTANT.

The Treasurer calls attention to the fact that dues for the current year are still payable, and those who have not yet remitted are earnestly requested to forward the same as soon as possible.

The Secretary calls attention to the sectional book case in the Club Room which is for sale. We need the room and can use the money. For price, etc., see the Secretary or Mr. Nevin of the Library Committee. Terms reasonable.

For additional society reports see preceding page.

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1906, 1000r red	.12	.04
1908, 100r carmine rose	.08	.02½
" 100r red (No. 187)	.08	.02½
1906, **Official**, 300r orange & green	.06	.01½
" " 400r orange & green	.10	.03
" " 500r orange & green	.15	.05
Br. Guiana, 1889-91, 48c pen canc.	.25	.08
1901-3, 48c, pen canc., (No. 158)	1.25	.20
1905-7, 48c, " unused price	.70	.12
" 60c, unused price	.88	.13
Br. Honduras 1902-4, 5c gray black and ultramarine	.10	.03½
1902, 20c dull violet and violet	.35	.14
1904-6, 5c black and ultramarine	.05	.03½
" 10c violet and green	.15	.06
" 25c violet & orange, unused price is	.35	.12
" 50c green & carmine, unused price is	.70	.28
1909, 5c ultramarine	.06	.02½
Cameroons 1900, 20pf ultramarine, fine used copy, unused price is	.09	.03½
***Canada** 1892, 8c gray (No. 48), mint	.65	.15
* 1892, 8c slate (No. 491), mint	2.00	.40
* " 8c violet black (No. 49a), mint	.75	.15
* 1897, **Jubilee**, ½c black, "	.30	.10
* " " 1c orange, "	.06	.02½

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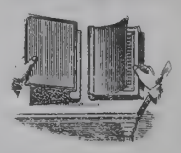

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ABOUT U. S. REVENUES.

By JOHN W. PREVOST.

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Since my last notes appeared, there has been published by the U. S. Revenue Society, a book entitled "United States State Revenue Stamps." Mr. Bartlett, the author, has described and listed these interesting stamps in a thorough and exhaustive manner, and certainly nothing remains to be said on the subject up to the time of its publication. However, this book is to be obtained only by members of the U. S. R. S. The writer feels that the following items will be news to a large number of the WEEKLY'S readers.

Lock Seals.—At the present writing, all of the serial letters from A to V have been seen except I, J, O and Q. According to a letter from the Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, written to W. W. Norton, these letters have not been used on seals, at least not for the last two series.

E. R. Vanderhoof reports the discovery of an unlisted lock seal.

Black seal, green numbers, serial letter B before the number.

While on the subject of lock seals, may permission be had from those U. S. Revenue fiends to side step just long enough to describe two beautiful lock seals, which recently came into the possession of the writer? They are from Canada and very little information came with them. The first one is printed in red on white wove paper, and measures 7⅜x1⅛ inches. At the left is a rectangular frame, with engine turned background and fancy ornaments at the corners, size 4⅜x1⅛ inches. Across the background in colorless letters ½ inch high is the word "EXCISE". Above this, in shaded letters ⅞ inches high, is the word "SEAL-LABLE". At the right are two circular medallions with crenated borders, with engine turned ground, enclosing two beautiful portraits of Queen Victoria, 1⅛ inches high. Above the head of Victoria is a serial number in blue.

The second label is slightly larger, measuring 7⅞x1¼ in. It is printed in blue. The wording in the rectangular frame reads "LOCK*LABLE" instead of "SEAL-LABLE". The frame around the head of Victoria is rectangular, with circular bottom, all with crenated edges. The serial number is in red, above the head of the Queen.

Nothing is known about the date of issue, but the blue seal has been seen used, and is believed to be current now.

From E. R. Vanderhoof comes a copy of the 5 lb. tobacco stamp, series of 1902, on which the serial number is entirely missing. This, in the opinion of several of the "cranks" is an error, as it leaves no way for the revenue collector to control the issue of that particular stamp.

In a book of revenue stamps, received from abroad, was found a poor specimen of the 25 cigar stamp, series of 1878, on that peculiar silk paper, in which the silk threads are massed in a bunch, none appearing in any other part of the paper. Until this copy was found, it was not known that this paper was used for any stamp except the 2 oz. tobacco stamp of 1878. Discoverer, J. D. Bartlett.

While in Boston lately, W. C. Stone found some cigarettes, stamped with the 20 cigarette stamp, tax 54c, surcharged in rubber stamp "P. I." (Philippine Islands). Later from New York, the same stamp was received, rubber stamped "P. I." in a different type, also with "PHILIPPINES" in full across the bottom of the stamp.

Collectors will do well to look at all packages from Porto Rico and the Philippines. New varieties are to be found at most any time on these goods.

In the Revenue Notes in No. 1004 of the WEEKLY, mention was made of the appearance of the ¼ bbl. beer stamp, series of 1909. Since then the ½ and 1 bbl. stamps have been seen. These are similar to the ¼ bbl. and are printed in black on blue.

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OF 1909". Apparently the black stamp has ceased to be current. This stamp cannot fail to be a good one, as it was current only three or four months.

The Special Tax stamp for retail liquor dealers for 1910 has appeared in a new design. No attempt at description will be made here. If you wish to see one, go in any saloon, or if you have scruples perhaps you can see one in some drug store.

SERIES OF 1910.

Every day brings something new in the line of revenue stamps of this series. The editor of this department has seen the following:

Cigarette Stamps. Tax $1.25 per M.
10 cigarettes, blue on blue. Size 20x41 mm.
15 " " " " " "
20 " " " " 25x40 mm.
100 " " " 158x23 mm.(strip.)

Small Cigars. Tax 75c per M.
10 cigars, black on blue. Size 20x42 mm.
50 " " " " 23x125 mm.(strip.)

Cigars. Tax $3.00 per M.
5 cigars, red on blue. Size 21x41 mm.
10 " " " " 21x41 mm.
50 " black " " 25x175 mm. (strip.)

Tobacco Stamps (Squares). Act of April 12, 1902. Series of 1909.
5 lbs. black on blue. Size 65x164 mm.
10 lbs. " " " " "

Tobacco Stamps (Squares). Act of Aug. 5, 1909. Series of 1910.
5 lbs. black on blue. Size 65x164 mm.

Tobacco Stamps. Series of 1910. Tax 8c per lb.
1 oz., black on blue. Size (unknown.)
1½ " " " " 17x161 mm.
2 " " " " 17x159 mm.
2¼ " " " " (unknown.)
2¾ " " " " "
7 " " " " "
14 " " " " "
16 " " " " "

Snuff. Tax 8c per lb.
1 oz. black on blue. Size (unknown.)
8 " " " " "

Rectified Spirits
20 gallons black on blue. Size (unknown.)

Through the kindness of Dwight F. Prevost, the writer has seen the following new tin foils of the series of 1910:

American Tobacco Co. Virgin Leaf. (Dated July 1, 1910.)
P. Lorillard. Century. (Dated July 1910.)
" Peerless. (" " 11, ")
John J. Bagley & Co. Mayflower. (Dated July 1910.)
The American Tobacco Co. Successor. Solace. (Dated July 1, 1910.)

Florida. Fertilizers. Tax 25c per ton. Act of June 3, 1889.
Signed by L. B. Wombwell, Commissioner.
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" brown "
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125 " " "
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Georgia. Feed Stuff. Tax 20c per ton. Act of Aug. 1, 1907.
Signed by T. G. Hudson, Commissioner.
½c 50 lbs. blue on yellow.
¾c 75 " brown on white.
1c 100 " green on yellow.
1¼c 125 " carmine on yellow.
1½c 150 " slate on yellow.
1¾c 175 " yellow orange on white.
2c 200 " lilac on white.

These stamps measure 40x24 mm. The 1c 100 lb. stamp is known imperf. horizontally. They are rouletted 4½.

Virginia Feed Stuff. Series of 1910.

These feed stuff stamps are identical with the set chronicled in 1909 except that the date is changed to 1910.

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Kentucky Fertilizers. Tax 50c per ton. (Exact date unknown.)
Signed by M. A. Scovill, Commissioner.
100 lbs. black on white.
125 " " buff.
167 " " rose.
200 " " blue.

The stamps measure 51x29 mm., are lithographed on wove paper and are perforated 11½. The 167 and 200 lb. stamp had not appeared at the time the U. S. R. S. book went to press. There may be other values still unknown.

Iowa. Feeding Stuffs. Tax 10c per ton. Act of July 4, 1907.
Signed by H. R. Wright, Commissioner.
25 lbs. black on white.
50 " " "
100 " " "
No value " "

It is intended to write in amount on this stamp.

Signed by W. B. Barney, Commissioner.
140 lbs. black on white.
1 ton " "

In the next notes I intend to take up as fully as possible, the stamps of South Carolina, whose issues are the most interesting of all the State Revenue stamps that have appeared recently.

GREAT BRITAIN STAMPS USED ABROAD.

(Particularly for the benefit of those who may have written for information about the colonial and foreign cancellations on the stamps of Great Britain, we submit the following data on the subject; and all philatelists will find it of interest for reference purposes. In the Stamp Collectors Annual, 1905, a yearly publication by C. Nissen and Son, London, Mr. I. J. Bernstein, long a student of the stamps in question, had an article, "British Stamps Used Abroad," which presented information rather fuller than that usually given; and to this excellent text, we have added an embracive list of the cancellations.—Ed.)

Most collectors are aware that British stamps were used in many of the Colonies before those Colonies were supplied with special issues of their own, and also in a large number of South and Central American Republics, and foreign West Indies, before they joined the Postal Union.

These stamps can only be distinguished from specimens used in the United Kingdom by the postmark, excepting of course those used in the Levant, on which, since the general use of British stamps abroad ceased in 1884, the value has been overprinted in local currency. The fact that the Colonies had no stamps of their own, and that the foreign countries' stamps at that time had no franking power beyond their borders, led many to maintain that stamps so used became the stamps of that particular country. The British stamp with the Gibraltar postmark became a stamp of Gibraltar, and so on. Much may be said in favor of this contention, the fact that the design was the same as the one in use in Great Britain being after all of little moment. Were not Bermuda stamps used in Gibraltar? Indian stamps in Zanzibar?—not to mention other instances. These latter were of course surcharged, but had, perchance, a row of stamps been accidentally missed in the surcharging process on, for instance, the first issue of Gibraltar, would the unsurcharged stamp, if still unsevered from its surcharged neighbour, be considered a Bermudan or a Gibraltar stamp? A Gibraltar stamp, I warrant, and a first class rarity, too, even though it were unused, and might never have seen Gibraltar. Why not then consider a stamp that undoubtedly has seen Gibraltar, been officially issued there, and done postal service, a Gibraltar stamp?

This is a question that has led to a deal of debate, but whatever view one takes it must be admitted that the postmark on these stamps is on a par with surcharges used at a later period to make stamps available in a country for which they were not primarily issued. The postmark, like the surcharge, is indelibly printed on the stamp, is officially applied, and in fact only differs in that the one is printed before use by machinery, the other at the time of use by hand. It is only owing to the fact that the postal authorities of those days were not fully alive to the growth of Philately that we have not today a complete series of surcharges for all these countries with their accompanying errors, broken letters, inverts, etc. Really we present day philatelists have much to be thankful for! Fancy the recent Postmasters of, say, Seychelles or Zanzibar at the head of affairs with an opportunity like this! Had such a series of surcharges been issued it would have been the business of every general collector to collect them; as it is, only those that like them need do so.

It is maintained by many that the collection of British stamps used abroad is not Philately, but merely an interesting study of postmarks; but then postmarks are so bound up with the science of Philately that it is hard to draw a line and say: "This is collectable, but that is not collectable," and whilst not going so far as to maintain that general collectors should start, for instance, their collection of Malta with the various English used there, certainly any specialist of Malta (or any of these other countries) ought to do so; and more particularly should the English specialist include them in his collection. They most emphatically form a distinct branch of the British Post Office and are certainly of more interest than, say, the green Maltese Cross on the 1d black. That, after all, was only an accident or experiment—these were officially and intentionally issued. The contention that there is no more in them than in a stamp posted, say, in Bradford, is misleading. Bradford used British stamps then and does so now. Nevis, etc., only used them provisionally, and ceased when it had an issue of its own. The fact that it is a study in which we are not entirely dependent on the dealers, should count for a lot.

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compiled. Another thing which should recommend them to collectors is that new and often unnecessary issues need never disturb their equilibrium. Having endeavored to the best of my ability to prove the collectability of these stamps, and to prove their just title to a place in the collection of all English specialists, I will now endeavour to group the various places where they were used, together with a short account of the periods during which they were current. A complete list giving the various offices would here occupy too much space. British stamps used abroad can be roughly divided into five groups, viz:—

(1) The British Possessions in Europe and the Levant.

Malta and Gibraltar used British stamps from the end of 1857 till 1884. Cyprus on its inclusion in the British Empire in 1878 till the stamps were machine surcharged in 1880. Constantinople from 1857, and continues to do so, but in 1885 certain values were surcharged in local currency, Smyrna and Beyrout from 1873 till 1884, when they and Stamboul began to use the same stamps as Constantinople. As however in all these Post Offices in the Levant any kind of English stamp was available for postage, it is possible to meet stamps of a later issue than 1884 (unsurcharged) used in these places, although they are not I believe sold at the Post Offices. Alexandria and Suez ran from 1860 to 1877.

(2) The British West Indies.

The issue in these Post Offices began early in 1858 and continued to 1860. Before 1858 all letters were prepaid in cash, and after the issue of British stamps ceased in 1860 all Colonies that had not by them an issue of their own for some unknown reason reverted to their antiquated method again.

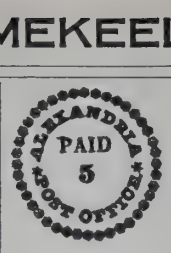
(3) The South American Republics and Spanish and Danish West Indies.

St. Thomas being in those days the most convenient and Central Port for Central and South America, was the first to use British stamps in 1860, and as the rarity of these stamps depends not so much on the number printed as the number used, they are together with Malta, Gibraltar and Constantinople (all of which places had a big correspondence) comparatively the commonest. Two years later, 1862, Buenos Ayres, Montevideo and Valparaiso and other important towns both on the East and West Coast of South America, together with Panama on the Isthmus were added to the list followed as necessity arose in 1863, 1865, and so on up to 1873. Their use ceased on the various countries in which these ports were situated, joining the Postal Union at dates varying from 1877 to 1882. The postal rates in those days were appalling compared with the present day tariff, ranging from 1sh to 2sh 6d per ½oz, hence we have the seeming anomaly of the 1d stamp being infinitely rarer than the 1sh and 2sh issue, the last two values together with the 6d and 4d being in nearly every instance the commonest of all.

(4) British Naval Stations.

These principally consist of the Pacific and China Stations, the North American Station and Sidney, N. S. W., but as the correspondence from these offices consisted mainly of sailors letters, very little is known about them, and they are very rare indeed. The Post Offices were established in 1858 and closed somewhere about 1865.

(5) This group consists of the stamps used in the British Army in their campaigns in 1854 Crimea, 1885 Egypt and 1899 B. S. Africa.



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The first three places abroad to use British stamps were Malta, Gibraltar and Constantinople, and for these places postmarks were issued showing the initial "M" for Malta, "G" for Gibraltar and "C" for Constantinople. When however, in 1860, the number of offices was increased, it would appear from the postmarks that the authorities decided to have a distinctive mark, consisting of a letter and number in combination for use in the Colonies, and a start was made with A01. The initials of M and G gave way to No. A25 and A26. C, however, was retained till 1885, when a circular date stamp came in use. The original intention does not however seem to have been long adhered to, because after fifteen numbers had been allotted to the West Indies, A16 and A17 were given to Post Offices in Great Britain, and it is pretty evident that the numbers were used in rotation indiscriminately as the offices were opened, either at home or abroad. Thus there is no hard and fast rule by which a novice can tell the "used abroad" stamp. It is a matter of study and research. The fact that the postmark consists of a letter and a number is no guide. For instance, C51 is St. Thomas, while C50 is Sale, in Cheshire. Then again, some places abroad used just plain numbers in the customary bar cancellation, and we have 942 Cyprus, 466 Liverpool. Round date stamps were also used in conjunction with these hand stamps and the shape and sizes vary as they did at the same period in England.

The following is a list of the postmarks employed in the Colonies and abroad:—

247 Fernando Poo (since 1875).
582 Noguabo, Porto Rico (since 1874).
942 Larnaca, Cyprus.
969 Vikosia, "
974 Baffo, "
975 Famagusta, "
981 Limasol, "
982 Kyrenia, "
098 Platres, "
A01 Kingston, Jamaica.
A02 Antigua.
A03 Demerara.
A04 Berbice.
A05 Bahamas.
A06 British Honduras.
A07 Dominica.
A08 Montserrat.
A09 Nevis.
A10 St. Vincent.
A11 St. Lucia.
A12 St. Kitts.
A13 Tortola.
A14 Tobago.
A15 Grenada.
A18 English Harbour Antigua.
A25 Malta.
A26 Gibraltar.
A27 Alexandria, Jamaica
A28 Annotte Bay, "
A29 Bath, "
A30 Black River, "
A31 Brown's Town, "
A32 Buff Bay, "
A33 Capelton, "
A34 Claremont, Jamaica.
A35 Clarendon, "
A36 Dry Harbour, "
A37 Duncans, "
A38 Ewarton, "
A39 Falmouth, "
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A61 Old Harbour, "
A62 Plaintain Gr. Riv., "
A63 Pear Tree Grove, "
A64 Port Antinio, "
A65 Port Morant, "
A66 Port Maria, "
A67 Port Royal, "
A68 Porus, "
A69 Ramble, "
A70 Rio Bueno, "
A71 Rodney Hall, "
A72 St. David, "
A73 St. Anne's Bay, "
A74 Salt Gut, "
A75 Savannah-la-Mar, "
A76 Spanish Town, "
A77 Stewart Town, "
A78 Vere, "
A79 Naval Station till 1871.
A80 " "
A81 " "
A82 " "
A83 " "
A84 " "
A85 " "
A86 " "
A87 " "
A88 " "
A91 Virgin Island (in England after 1867).
A92 Halifax, Nova Scotia.
A99 Sydney, New South Wales.
B01 Alexandria, Egypt.
B02 Suez.
B31 Free Town, Sierra Leone.
B32 Buenos Ayres.
B53 Mauritius.
B56 Hong-Kong.
B57 " "
B62 " "
B64 Seychelles.
C Constantinople.
C28 Montevideo, Uruguay.
C30 Valparaiso, Chili.
C35 Panama, Central America.
C36 Arica, Peru.
C37 Caldera, Chili.
C38 Callas, Peru.
C39 Cobija or Puerto-de-la-Mar, Bolivia.
C40 Coquimbo, Chili.
C41 Guayaquil, Ecudor.
C42 Islay, Peru.
C43 Payta, "
C51 St. Thomas, Danish West Indies.
C56 Carthagena or (C65 error), Colombia.
C57 Greytown or San Juan del Porte, Nicaragua.
C58 Havana, Cuba.
C59 Jacmel, "
C60 La Guaica, Venezuela.
C61 San Juan, Porto Rico.
C62 Santa Martha, Columbia.
C63 Tampico, Mexico.
C64 Vera Cruz, "
C79 Hong-Kong (before 1871).
C81 Bahia, Brazil.
C82 Pernambuco, Brazil.
C83 Rio de Janeiro, "
C86 Porto Plata, Dominican Rep.
C87 St. Domingo, "
C88 St.Jago de Cuba or Santiago,Cuba.
D22 Cindad Bolivar or Angostura, Venezuela.
D26 Spanish Mail Packet, St. Thomas.
D27 Amoy, China.
D28 Kiung Chow, China.
D29 Hankow, "
D30 Hio-go, Japan.
D47 Polymedia, Cyprus.
D48 Head Quarter's Camp, Cyprus.
D74 Pisco, Peru.
D87 Iquique, Peru.
E53 Port au Prince, Hayti.
E88 Colon or Aspinwall, Colombia.
F69 Savanilla, "
F83 Arroys, Porto Rico.
F84 Aguadilla, "
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Exploiting Philately—The newspapers have been giving the philatelic exhibition at Berne an amount of space which, if it is in consonance with the importance that they attach to philately, shows that the pursuit has grown into an impressive one in their eyes. Many columns of space have been given in the aggregate to news of the successful exhibition. In one of our great dailies, we noticed that a special correspondent sent a letter from Berne on the subject of the exhibition and strange to say, it tallied in its statements so nicely with the London *Chronicle's* account that the WEEKLY reproduced two issues ago that the suspicious man would suspect that the aforesaid special correspondent consulted the London article rather than the display at Berne for his information. The newspapers have been telling, too, of the new violet two pence Great Britain which was about ready for issue at the time of King Edward's death and which, as collectors know, is not now to be sold to the public. One paper under the head, "Scarcest Postage Stamp," gives an account which ends with the words: "It was not placed on sale and the postmaster general has decided to destroy the entire stock, with the exception of a few specimens for King George's album, the British Museum and the postoffice museum at St. Martin's-le-Grand."

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An Aside—A reader says that a "philatelic side line" society has been organized and that he cannot understand how any collector cares to bother with these poor excuses for stamps when the real thing is available. He writes: "I respectfully suggest that you speak a few plain words on this folly." We do not agree with our correspondent who sees no justification for collecting side lines as we know that the interest in stamps does not always follow the main channel but breaks off for a detour here and there. Even though we thought side lines wholly indefensible, we should not rail at them as we do not care to quarrel with human nature. We believe that side lines have a defined place in the economy of philately and that their existence is a tribute to the strength of attraction of the stamp itself. The side show does not detract from the circus but instead it emphasizes the superiority of the main attraction. Further, a side line sometimes illustrates historical points in connection with stamps; the divertisement may be said to furnish commentary reading to the real study which is of stamps, pure and unadulterated.

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An Old Book—A book that the philatelist will find interesting is "Ocean Steam Navigation and the Ocean Post;" pp. 224. By Thomas Rainey; published, 1858, by Appleton, New York. In the appendix is a valuable list of ocean steam lines and a history of the British ocean mail system,—"a system which has had the fostering care of England's far-seeing statesmen and of England's heavy purse; a system which is one of the 'open secrets' of England's overshadowing greatness as a commercial and maritime power." The routes of the different lines of mail carrying steamers provide an engaging subject for contemplation and the philatelist will recognize lines of familiar name to him.

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As it Goes—We find on a page of a trade paper that a correspondent sent us, a photogravure of a letter from Egypt bearing two of that country's stamps and the one, two and five cent U. S. postage due stamps. The law is violated by these illustrations of U. S. Stamps but in all probability the publisher did not know of the existence of the statute If the cut is seen by the governmental censor, the publisher will be warned against a repetition of the offense and he will promise dutifully to be good hereafter. We have heard of entire editions of publications that were confiscated for picturing U. S. stamps but these cases always were settled amicably, we believe, or at least without visiting undue hardship on the publishers. The stamp paper can have no excuse for illustrating a U. S. stamp and so, it is very regardful for the law. However, the law against showing U. S. stamps in picture is becoming more strictly observed as time proceeds and the breach will soon almost be unknown.

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Called to Account—A collector relates an instance that proves that a close surveillance is kept by the government in enforcing the law against the reproduction or illustrating of United States stamps. Some time ago, he received a letter from a friend with artistic leanings and who delighted to embellish with his pen and ink drawings whatever was suitable for the purpose in his estimation. He sent a letter to the correspondent who tells the story and on the envelope besides the regular stamp was a fantastic reproduction in pen and ink of the specimen. "U. S. Postage" had its place on the burlesque drawing and this legend made the production unlawful, a fact that attention was called to when the letter was delivered to the addressee in an official envelope; he was warned to notify his correspondent that he should not again commit the offense of presenting in similitude a stamp issued by the government. The authorities do not encourage art when their "postal certificates" furnish the theme.

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An Old Fashion—In days of old it was a favorite recreation for those who were given to designing to ornament their letters with pictures of stamps usually conveyed with fantastic effect; and editors in particular received such souvenirs from contributors. Sometimes, these creations were reproduced; for example, in the *Knickerbocker* or *New York Magazine*, a very worthy literary periodical of the day, a letter addressed to L. Gaylord Clark, the editor, is shown May, 1858, and on the humorously designed envelope is a good "copy" of the three-cent U. S., issue of 1855-60. Again, in the same magazine for June, 1858, there is a similarly illustrated envelope pictured, with a drawing of the three-cent stamp then current. A side line collection of old cuts of United States stamps that appeared in non-philatelic print and all labelled as to their origin would have a meaning of its own that the collector would be quick to appreciate.

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Founded on Fact—In our issue of September 17th, under the head, "A Reported Find," a clipping giving the details of the discovery of a number of five cent New Yorks, and five and ten cent stamps of 1847 appeared but because of a mistake in one of its statements, suspicion was cast upon authenticity of the item. However, the find was made and Mr. Wolsieffer of Chicago was the dealer to whom the stamps were sold; and he in turn advertised them in the WEEKLY recently.

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Their Views—Letters discussing American Philatelic Society subjects continue to sift in and in view of the opinions that they present, it will be advisable to make an *omnium gatherum* of them in an early number. Briefly, the salient points of those communications that call for comment will be given.

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P'raps—A Washington correspondent writes to say that although there has been no official intimation to that effect he has some reason to believe that a change in the colors of some of the higher values of the current set of U. S. will be made. Whether this supposition is based on the second annual protest of the postal clerks in convention recently or additional information is not divulged.

NEW REPLY POSTAL CARDS.

Quotation from official circular: —

"OFFICE OF THIRD ASST. P. M. GEN., WASHINGTON, Sept. 24, 1910.

Notice is hereby given of the issuance of a new 1-cent domestic reply postal card, designated No. 6, to replace the 'D' card. It is described as follows:

The size of the double card, unfolded, is 6½ by 5½ inches, or 3¼ by 5½ inches for each half. The paper is of bluish tint, and the design is printed in bronze-blue ink. A profile portrait of General Washington looking to the left is used as the subject of the stamp on the message card, and a portrait of Mrs. Washington is the subject of the reply half, both having solid backgrounds. A circular border carries in capital letters above the subject the words 'U. S. Postal Card' and below the subject 'One Cent.' Under the border is a ribbon bearing the names 'Washington' on the message card and 'Martha Washington' on the reply half, in small capitals. A branch of laurel extends from either end of the ribbon outside the border to a point above the numeral '1' which appears within a circle breaking the border on either side of the subject. To the left of the stamp in a single line of plain Gothic capitals is the inscription, 'This side of card is for address only,' within a panel of parallel lines, the inner line being heavier than the outer one. Above this inscription on the reply half are the words 'Reply Card' in large capital letters within a panel having a solid background. The two halves of the card are separated by a perforated line.

The new No. 6 postal card will be issued in sheets of 24 when desired in that form for printing purposes. The sheets will be 4 cards wide by 6 long, and will be packed in cases containing 6000 cards each. Requisitions should be drawn for that quantity or multiples thereof, the word 'Sheets' to be plainly written on Form 3201 opposite the item. Purchasers of cards in sheets should be advised that to be valid for postage they must be cut to regulation size."

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ITEMS FROM THE ENGLISH PRESS.

By CHAS. E. JENNEY.

Those interested in Siamese stamps will find a well illustrated article in the September *Stamp Lover* on the surcharges of the 1889-90. With their combination of native type and Arabic numerals they are a rather complicated lot. There are a great number of full-sized illustrations showing pairs and blocks of the surcharged types.

In the same number is an article on the Local Stamps of Scandinavia which besides informing us of the history and status of the various locals tells us much of the local geographic and political divisions. The "By-posts" of Norway were established in about a score of towns and districts and they issued altogether something like 300 varieties Iceland has no locals. Sweden has a few and Denmark quite a lot. Hammerfest, the most northern town in Norway, had an interesting local. The well-known Tromso stamps have a reindeer on them.

The *Postage Stamp* for Sept. 3rd has a continued article on Venezuela by A. B. Creeke, Jr. There is considerable of interest to the general collector in it and the notes under the 1874 issue (with the microscopic overprint) are especially good.

A South African correspondent announces a special postage stamp for United South Africa, printed by De La Rue, of 2½d value. The head of King George is the central feature and at the four corners are the coats of arms of Natal and the Cape and the shields of Transvaal and Orange River Colony. Color, dark blue. The design was executed in South Africa and some idea of its minuteness of detail may be gathered from the fact that the mottoes under the shields and arms are embodied.

The excellent and exact illustrations of watermarks that are appearing in *Gibbons Stamp Weekly*, accompanying Melville's article on "Postage Stamps in the Making," are worthy of being incorporated in the standard catalogue, and under their proper countries instead of at the end of the book.

In the latter journal is a section on the Rivadavia stamps of Argentine that bears evidence of careful study and authoritative utterance. This number also illustrates the new Acknowledgement of Receipt stamp of Colombia, which bears a somewhat novel design. At first glance it appears to be a set of false teeth, but on closer examination it proves to be a military execution, the platoon of firing soldiers being arranged in a semi-circle.

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The Binders come in two sizes and are priced from $5 to $10 each; there are 150 quadrilled leaves in each binder. The United Stamp Company is marketing the Marquette Spring Back Blank Album as well; and also, a Sunk Mount edition. The Marquette Series of Albums; published by the United Stamp Company, 1149 Marquette Building, Chicago, Ill..

We find that we have not made mention heretofore of a dainty little book. "Poland," a souvenir of the 25th annual convention of the American Philatelic Society distributed by the *Stamp Collector* of Columbus, Ohio. "Poland: Historical and Philatelic," compiled and arranged by Geo. K. Smith, Jr., Henry S. Adair and George W. Linn is a book in miniature so excellently printed as to invite the favorable attention of those who attend to the luxurious aspects of typography, closely and critically. The brochure contains thirty pages or so printed on one side and plates showing the map of Poland, the adhesive and the envelope impressions. The compilation has been carefully conducted and many sources of information have been consulted; the result is a well-adjusted resume of the researches on the subject. Access was had by the compilers to the various articles that have appeared from time to time in the past and catalogues from the beginning down to the present have been scanned; a feature of the work is a table of comparative catalogue prices, the leading catalogues having been drawn upon for figures. The historical sketch is very readable and the stamp section includes about all the data that could be demanded. "Poland" is a distinct and desirable addition to philatelic literature and the compilers are to be congratulated upon their labor of love. We notice that the price of the book which is in durable paper covers is fifty cents; the *Stamp Collector*, Columbus, Ohio, publisher.

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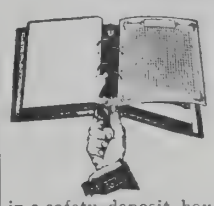

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"The Federal Government proposes to introduce a uniform system of stamps for postage payments. On January 1 next the present stocks of stamps in hand will be superimposed with the words 'Commonwealth of Australia'. They will then carry a letter through any portion of the Commonwealth. As soon as the stocks in hand have been used up, there will be a new issue with a Commonwealth design. A penny rate will not necessarily be introduced throughout the Commonwealth, but Mr. Fisher hopes it will not be long delayed. He stated that the introduction of penny postage within those States which at present charge twopence for country letters was hardly worth bothering about, and that when action is taken it will be in the direction of introducing a uniform minimum postage of one penny throughout the Commonwealth. He hopes this will be preparatory to a uniform charge of one penny throughout the Empire."

Mr. Smith goes on to say: "It has since transpired that the overprint may be the word 'Australia' only. There is already an outcry by philatelists at the innovation, and there is a possibility that representions may be made to the Postmaster General on the subject. It will be pointed out that there is ample time between now and the 1st January to prepare a new issue and that the extra printing of the word 'Australia' on the stamps will be an unnecessary expense.

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—Clippings have been received with thanks from C. E. Bresee, R. J. Hogg, J. H. Smyth, Geo. Hoppe, Jr., Independent Stamp Co.

—We called attention last week to counterfeit British Solomon Islands, 1907 issue, now on the market. We trust dealers noted this announcement and that we shall be spared the correspondence that would naturally result from their being advertised in our columns.

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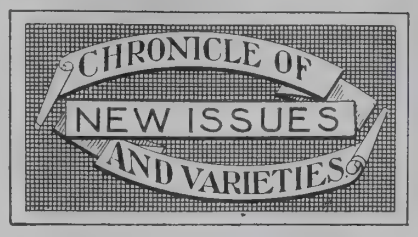

Edited by HENRY A. KIDDER.

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UNITED STATES.—Theo. J. Heyl shows us specimens of the current 1c stamp, the "O" of "Postage" being open at the top, instead of closed as the normal stamp has it.

Mr. Heyl also shows us the current 2c envelope on blue paper, the left "2" having a dash across the shank.

F. H. Webster shows a copy of the 2c of 1890, with the left cap only partially formed, while at the same time the right "2" has the upper and lower parts connected by a colorless line at the right.

Bertram Leer reports the following minor varieties: The current post card with a period between "N" and "T" of "Cent"; with a white mark between "E" and "N" of "Cent"; with a very ragged coat on McKinley's back; with the innermost oval broken at several different points, and with "McKinley" ornamented in the lower label. The current 1c wrapper with a period after "E" in "One", and large scratches down across the "C" of "Cent" in varying positions. The 2c Hudson-Fulton with a period under the Indian in the canoe. The 1c of 1909 with the upper left corner of "N" of "Cent" broken off. The 1c of 1890, with various additional ornaments.

Cleveland Bundlie reports a new cigarette stamp. It is of the same size and general design as the previous issue, but is printed in dark blue on light blue paper. It is inscribed: "Series of 1910. Act of Aug. 5, 1909."

Maitland Milliken sends us a copy of the current 2c envelope, in a pronounced pink shade, like the envelopes of 1861.

J. Arthur Wainwright reports having received the current 1c wrapper, with a colored line across the colorless oval, just below and to right of the "E" in "One". Also a 1c wrapper with what might be called a break, in the plate, extending from the outside of the stamp to the inner colorless oval, cutting through the right of the "E" in "One".

AFGHANISTAN. — *Maury's Collectionneur* reports two new stamps in the current series both being in the small size of the 2a chronicled in No. 993.

Adhesives.

1 abasi blue.
1 rupee lilac brown.

ARGENTINE.—We are now able to illustrate two values of the new commemorative set.

BERMUDA.—A. C. Roessler sends us the 1d value of the new "Hog Money" stamps, the ½d having been chronicled in No. 1016. The new value is printed on ordinary multiple paper.

Adhesive.

1d carmine.

CHILE.—*Juan Fernandez.*— Hermann Focke sends us a cover with two of the surcharged stamps announced in No. 1029, the "5" on 12c, and the "10 Cts" on 1 peso, both of the 1905 issue. There are four values altogether, "5" on 12c being surcharged in dark blue and the others in red. All have the name of the Ilands in two lines thus: "Ilas de—Juan Fernandez." The 10c and 20c provisionals have "Cts." after the surcharged figure, but this is lacking on the 5c.

Mr. Focke reports that these stamps are being received on letters from Santiago and Valparaiso, in Chile proper, and asks the necessity of the surcharge. Fortunately we are enabled to answer this question, through the courtesy of Philip Wolff, who writes:

"Philately has 'influence' in the Chilean Parliament as well as in that of Great Britain. The enclosed clipping is from the *Valparaiso Mercurio's* report of the proceedings of the Camara de Diputados of August 12: 'Regarding the stamps of Juan Fernandez, Sr. Alfonso asked if stamps of Juan Fernandez have been issued, and the object and circumstances of this issue.

Sr. Izquierdo, Minister of the Interior, said that the Hon. Minister Sr. Tocornal had a big lot of antiquated and unnecessary stamps, which at the suggestion of some philatelists he had surcharged with the name of this island. On his part he has decreed that they serve for stamping all sorts of mail in Chile and abroad, and has had the fact communicated to the Union Postal Universal.

Sr. Alfonso said it would have been better to declare the stamps invalid.'

By the way, the reason given for not allowing the reprinting of the 20 centavos, is that they would interfere with the sale of the centenary stamps."

A. J. McKelvey reports having received a registered package from Santiago de Chile, with a block of 4 of the 5c on 12c described above, and one each of the other three varieties, proving that the surcharged stamps have been made good for postage on the mainland.

The Toledo Stamp Co. has shown us the 5c and 10c values of the Juan Fernandez set.

CONGO BELGE.—Mr. Schachne has received more provisionals which seem to have been made necessary by a change of rates. The two regular cards (10c and 15c 1909) have the surcharged numeral on the lower part of the stamp and the 10c has also the three lines of instruction cancelled by wavy lines. The 10 on 10 (Senf 411) now has a wavy line cancellation of the four lines of instruction on both cards, thus giving it a U. P. U. circulation. The 15 on 15 (Senf 5) is transformed to a local by a "5" overprinted on lower part of each stamp, and "Union P. U." on both cards cancelled by wavy lines. All cancellations and overprints are black.

Post Cards.

5 on 10c red on buff; instructions cancelled.
10c brown x 10c green; instructions cancelled.
5x5 on 15c blue x 15c brown; "Union P. U." cancelled.
10 on 15c orange on pale buff.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.—A. W. Dunning reports the following uncatalogued varieties:

Scott's No. 148, with broken "T" in "Centavos".

Scott's No. 162, with surcharge reading "Ominicana" instead of "Dominicana".

Scott's No. 162, with double surcharge.

GILBERT AND ELLICE PROTECTORATE.—Benedict Prieth sends us information regarding the set of stamps surcharged on Fiji and also of the new colors of the latter set.

Chile 1902, 12c, scarce	$0.30
" " 1 peso	1.00
Rhodesia 1909, 1£	6.15
Porto Rico Dues 1899, set used	.50
" " " " mint	1.60
Hawaii, Official mint set	2.70
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ITALY.—*Offices in the Levant.*—The 30c express letter stamp has been surcharged "Levante" for use in the Italian Offices in Turkey.

MAURITIUS.—N. Cobe has shown us the 1r value in the new colors.

Adhesive.

1r black on green.

MEXICO. — We are also indebted to Philip Wolff for information regarding the Centenary stamps, which he calls "the daintiest and finest executed of the year."

The C. E. Hussman Stamp Co. has also shown us the 5c and 10c values of the Centenary set.

NICARAGUA.—Louis Voss reports having Scott's No. 183 imperforate, four copies on one cover, and No. 305, also imperforate.

Hermann Focke writes: "I have examined several specimens of the recently reported Nicaragua provisional,—"Vale 10c" on 15c black of 1909, and find that the first printing of the surcharge was done in a deep, almost brown-red ink, while the later print is in a carmine to almost vermilion color. I also discovered several varieties and errors, the former as to spacing and size of letters and numeral "0", and the latter as to inverted "A" for "V" and inverted "V" for "A" in "Vale". These may, however, be due to poor printing, whereas one of the copies seems to read "Vlea" for "Vale". I have also seen a diagonally bisected specimen together with three full stamps on cover to make up the present rate of 35c for postage."

ROUMANIA.—Theo. J. Heyl shows us a copy of the 25c of 1893, with the oval containing the figures of value open at the top.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS. — *Malay States.—Maury's Collectionneur* chronicles the $2 in the new Colonial colors.

Adhesive.

$2 red and green on yellow.

URUGUAY.— The *Madrid Filatelico* reports that the 5c blue of 1906–08 and the 20c gray blue of 1904–05 have been surcharged "Oficial" and the date "1910–11" in red.

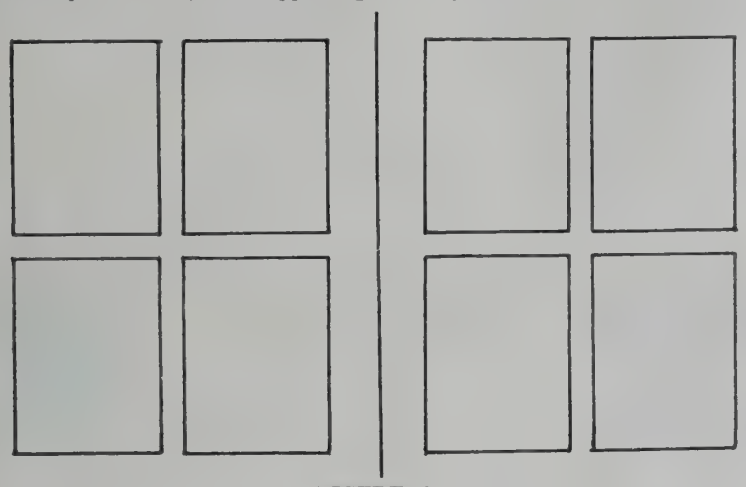
Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

NOTES ON THE CENTER SERIES AND PERFORATIONS OF 1851-7 U. S. ISSUES.

By CARROLL CHASE, M. D., A. P. S. 3143.

A query from an English specialist in United States stamps, and an answer to the same by Mr. Luff, both appearing in the August 13th, 1910, issue of MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS, leads me to add such little further information, along this line, as I happen to have.

All the stamps of all values of this issue were printed in sheets of 200—two panes of 100 (10x10) side by side with a single (in one or two instances, double) vertical "center" line between them as a guide for cutting the sheets in two before delivery to the postmasters. I feel absolutely certain that no other line than the "center" line was cut on any of the plates. The space between the two panes varied. They were either made several mm. apart, which I will call the "wide spacing," or about as close together as the horizontal spacing between the stamps themselves, the "narrow spacing."



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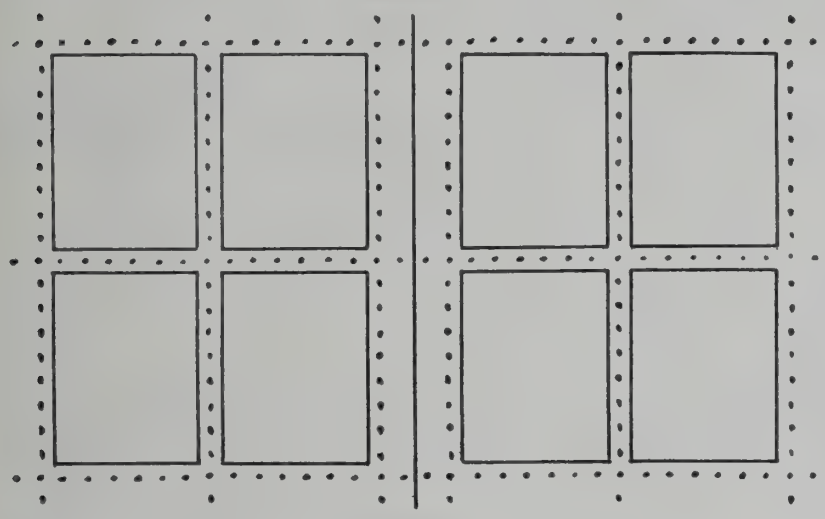

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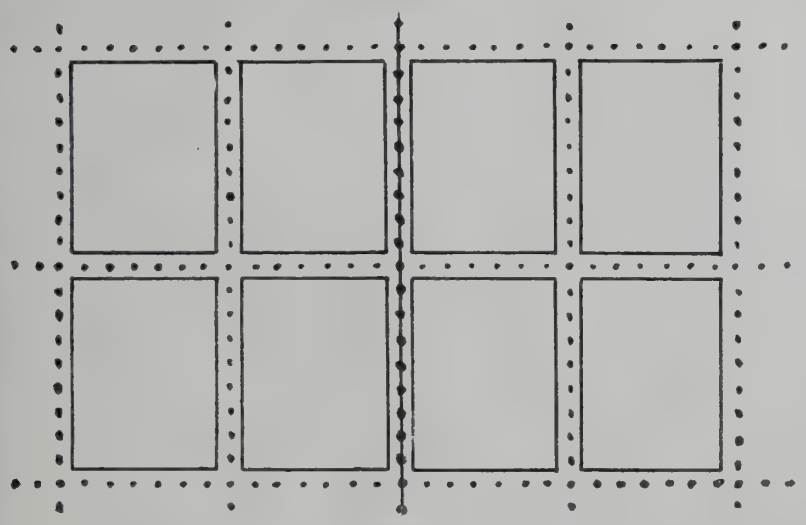

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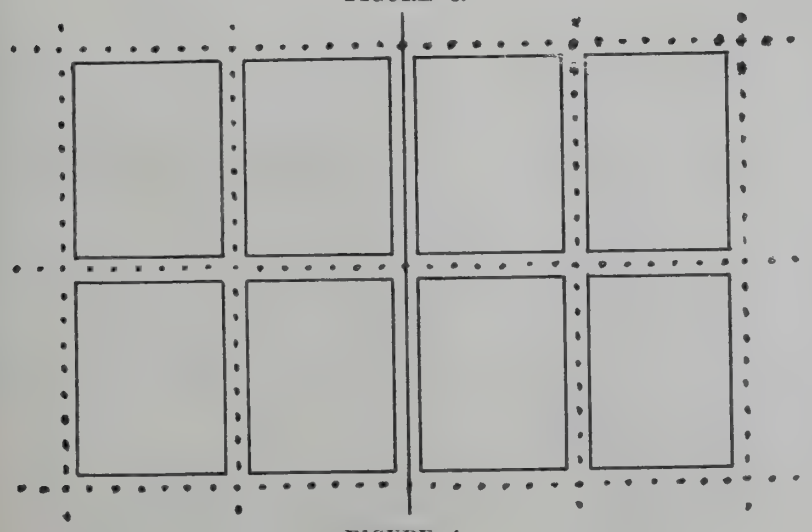

FIGURE 4.

The imperforate stamps, with the possible exception of the 24c, 30c, 90c values, were all printed from plates showing the wide spacing. See Figure 1.

The perforated stamps from these same plates that had been used for the imperforate stamps were always perforated as shown in Figure 2:—i. e., all round every stamp, but *not* down the center line.

The later plates, all stamps from which were perforated, were made with the narrow spacing, and were perforated either as shown in Figure 3 or Figure 4. By this I mean that, occasionally, they were perforated down the center line—Figure 3, but more frequently they were not perforated down the center line—Figure 4. All the sheets including those represented by Figure 3 were *cut* down the middle, this row of perforations being superfluous, and not used.

It might be added that all the stamps from the perforated sheets show perforations all the way round. There are no "straight edge" copies from any of the margins of the sheet, except those next to the center line as shown in Figure 4. The top and bottom and outside margins, showing the imprint and plate number, were always perforated.

The 3c Type I perforated is always Figure 2. The 3c Type II is always either Figure 3 or 4. The 1c Type I and II perforated is always Figure 2, and the 1c Type III perforated is either Figure 3 or 4. It is possible that Type III perforated also exists perforated as in Figure 2.

Why the sheets were sometimes perforated as shown in Figure 3 I don't know for a certainty. All the stamps were perforated, not with a comb machine, but with a machine that perforated but one direction at a time. I do not know how many rows were perforated at once, but I believe three or four or five. I suppose that it sometimes just happened that the sheet was held so that the center line was perforated, and other times that it was not. Possible some expert in perforations can give a more scientific explanation.

MR. POWER ON PRICES.

Of some twentieth-century Colonials that are going to jump one of these balmy mornings amongst others I might mention Cyprus 2pi, King, single; Cayman 4d, on *yellow;* British Guiana 60c *green and rose*, etc. If any reader is sufficiently interested in prophecy, he will find that some five or six years ago I warned collectors to get this Guiana at $1.50; now it is $5, and I suppose in another year it will be $7 or $8 and so on.—*Gibbons Weekly.*

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113	1889, 2c lilac, "	.60	.20
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118	" 6c " " II, "	.50	.20
119	" 8c " used	.25	.10
129	" 2c " "	.08	.04
138	72c lilac and brown, penmarked	.30	.15
147	1898, 1c red and black, new	.08	.05
148	" 2c blue and brown, "	.30	.15
152	" 2 on 5c, "	.12	.05
9	Br. Honduras 1872, 3d brown, "	5.00	1.75
14	1884, 1d rose, "	.25	.10
24	1882, 20 on 6 yellow, "	.75	.25
27	" 2 on 1d rose, "	.08	.04
28	" 3 on 3 brown, "	.15	.06
29	" 10 on 4 violet, "	.25	.12
33	1891, 6 on 10 " "	.25	.10
34	" 6 on 10 " "	.20	.10
35	" 5 on 3 brown, "	.15	.08
36	" 15 on 6 blue, "	.50	.25
39	" 3c brown, "	.30	.15
42	" 24c yellow and blue, "	1.00	.45
43	1892, 1 on 1d green, used	.10	.04
5	Bulgaria 1879, 1fr black & red, used	.60	.25
1	Cameroons 1897, 2p brown, new	.08	.06
2	1897, 5p green, "	.12	.08
5	" 25p orange, "	.35	.25
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REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING OCT. 1, 1910.

APPLICATIONS PENDING.

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NOTICE.

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APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

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NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

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DEATH REPORTED.

[illegible] Thomson, J. P., Toronto, Canada. Died May 14, 1910.

NOTICE.

In the summary of membership below, Mr. Thomson's number is added as he was a member in good standing at the time of his death but had since been [illegible] dropped for non-payment of dues. [illegible] were also dropped through error.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY.

Total membership Sept. 24, 1910,	[illegible]
New stockholders	4
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	1757
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W. H. BARNUM, Sec.

WASHINGTON PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

W. A. JOHNSON, Pres.; F. B. WHEATON, V. Pres.; [illegible]

The [illegible] regular meeting was held Aug. [illegible] at the home of [illegible] Whitney, Takoma Park. Nine members were present. The evening was spent in looking over the [illegible] of the host, which contained many things of value and interest, his collection of original covers being especially fine. Refreshments were served at the close of a very enjoyable evening.

The [illegible] regular meeting was held Sept. 14 at the home of Chas. E. Morris. Thirteen members and one visitor were present. Mr. Morris had arranged the letters W. P. S. surrounded by a border with stamps and [illegible] was [illegible] in guessing the number of stamps used. An exceedingly pleasant evening was the verdict of all. Refreshments were served. The next meeting, October 12, will be held in the Society's room, No. 214 [illegible] Bldg.

J. [illegible], Sec.

The New England Philatelic Association.

H. W. [illegible], Pres.; [illegible]

The regular monthly meeting of the N. E. P. A. will be held in Room 322 Tremont Building on Tuesday, Oct. 11th, 1910. Meeting called to order at 8 o'clock P. M. All members who can are earnestly requested to be present.

ALEX. P. BROWN, Sec.

UNION COMMEMORATION STAMP.

Clipping from W. MORTON WEBB.

It was first announced in *South Africa* more than a month ago that a special postage stamp would be printed to the order of the Union Government and issued in commemoration of Union. We are now able to add that Messrs. de la Rue, who until recently were contractors to the Imperial Government, have received the order. The stamp is to be of the size of an ordinary Transvaal Revenue stamp, and will be of the value of 2½d. The head of King George makes the central feature, framed in an oval, and at the corners are the coats-of-arms of [illegible] of the old Colonies, the Cape and Natal and the shields of the late Republics of the Transvaal and the Orange Free State. The underlying principle has been to represent the union of the two races, and therefore the coat-of-arms of the late Orange River Colony has been ignored, being considered only as a transitory stage. Bearing in mind that the ideal of Union was preached by Cecil Rhodes and others in the years previous to the South African war, it seems fitting that the intermediate stages between Republican days and the Union under the British Crown should be obliterated in a design that is to be a memorial of a great act. The colour of the stamp is to be dark blue. The design was executed in South Africa. The idea of issuing a commemorative stamp is understood to have originated with the Transvaal Government prior to Union Day, but it was found impossible to get the stamp issued in time for May 31. An idea of the minuteness of the detail engrossed on the stamp may be gathered from the fact that under the shields of the Republics and the arms of Cape Colony are their respective mottoes. The only other letterpress on the stamp consists of the word "postage" in English and Dutch and the figures 2½d. The preparation of a general set of postage stamps for use by the Union has not yet been put in hand, there still being a large stock of stamps of the respective Colonies to be used up.—*South Africa.*

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1884 [illegible] ultramarine (No. [illegible])	[illegible]	.02½
Bosnia 1906 1k dark rose (No. [illegible])	[illegible]	.06½
1906 [illegible] vermilion (No. [illegible])	[illegible]	.14
[illegible] (No. [illegible])	[illegible]	.20
*Brazil 1906 Official [illegible] orange and green, face 50c	[illegible]	[illegible]
* 1906 Official 1000r, orange and green, face 50c	[illegible]	[illegible]
*Br. Honduras [illegible] violet and black (No. 59)	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bulgaria 1896 Postage Due 5s orange (No. [illegible])	[illegible]	[illegible]
*Canada [illegible] (No. 47)	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible] brown (No. [illegible])	[illegible]	[illegible]
8c orange (No. [illegible])	[illegible]	[illegible]
* 1898 2c purple (No. 76)	[illegible]	[illegible]
* " 3c carmine	[illegible]	[illegible]
* " 5c blue	[illegible]	[illegible]
* " 8c orange	[illegible]	[illegible]
* " 2c lavendar & carmine, mint	[illegible]	[illegible]
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THE SO-CALLED REISSUES OR REPRINTS OF THE 5c AND 13c HAWAII 1853 TYPE.

By HENRY J. CROCKER, F. R. P. S.

Major Evans writes an article in *Gibbons Weekly* of May 21st, 1910, which is a continuation of the discussion of the 1853 type. He now addresses the Students of these stamps under the heading of "Hawaiian Re-prints" and thus metaphorically speaking "Nails his colors to the mast." In this latest article, he eliminates the controversy that arose over these stamps prior to 1872. He eliminates the data gathered by Wm. Giffard in his book published in 1893, together with his remarks published in the *Monthly Journal* of October and November, 1895, puts aside all data accumulated since 1901, which has proved of great importance, and then reiterates his opinion, expressed in 1901, that the stamps are "Re-prints," and, contrary to all authorities since 1870, printed after April 16th, 1868.

Major Evans evidently selects this title from an article which he quotes from, published fifteen years ago in the *Monthly Journal,* October and November, 1895, but every student has granted with the combined testimony discovered and furnished since then by Postmaster Kalakaua, Wm. G. Irwin, Postmaster Clark, Postmaster Brickwood, Walter Giffard, M. Rondet, E. D. Bacon, and Dr. Kalckoff; the proper construction placed on the data furnished by M. Hanciau, and the postal necessities of 1864-1866, that these stamps were ordered in 1864 and the plates evidently sent for at the time. Brickwood, the succeeding Postmaster, received and destroyed them. He had not placed any orders for these stamps up to April 16th, 1868, and, while he says he never ordered any stamps from these plates, he certainly would have had to return them to Boston if he printed an order as Major Evans claims, and for which there is no confirmation found in Brickwood's letters of 1867-1868. If this is not so then the Kalakaua order became exhausted, and Brickwood placed another order, and the plates came with them, all of which there is no present data confirming.

Major Evans goes on to explain that he feels to some extent personally responsible as translator of Mr. Hanciau's article. He says, "When we translated and published in the *Monthly Journal* for December 1900 and January 1901, the article which originated all this discussion, we regarded it mainly as an interesting history confirming certain views on which the great majority of philatelists are agreed, and no one was more astonished than we were at the opposition that was at once aroused, or rather the form which the opposition took."

Now, at the time Major Evans mentions, not one student of these stamps agreed with Mr. Hanciau.

On the other hand, students and specialists of Hawaiian, such as Messrs. Green, Howes, Lombard, Batchelder, Rochfuchs and Pickman of Boston; Messrs. Worthington and Good of Cleveland; The Scott Stamp & Coin Company, P. M. Wolseiffer, Messrs. Gardner, Stoltz, Taylor, O'Shaughnessy, Doscher and Hitchcock, Bartels, Hustace and others, accept the fact that Postmaster Kalakaua placed an order for these stamps in 1864, and we wish to ask at this point, what stamps Postmaster General Kalakaua referred to in his letter to Postmaster Coney, dated March 6th, 1865, and what stamps W. C. Irwin referred to in his letter produced by Mr. Hanciau dated February 24th, 1865. It being clearly shown they were not the engraved stamps. Major Evans accuses us of imagining this order, and so he claims the right to imagine an order placed in 1868 to offset it (which I will refer to later). Brickwood, who was Postmaster at this later date, states that he never ordered any of these stamps at any time, but placed an order for the first 5c engraved and perforated stamps (placed in the engraver's hands June 22nd, 1865).

Irwin says he saw Brickwood destroy the plates and that he was a clerk in the Postoffice at the time, and he left the Postoffice in the latter part of 1865. Evans now introduces confirmatory evidence that the plates were destroyed by Brickwood, and that Giffard makes the statement that they were defaced in Honolulu about 1867. This is much proof against Evans' imagined order from these plates in 1868, as for over 40

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years it has been conceded the stamps lay in Honolulu for several years before the remainder was over-printed specimens.

The wording used by Giffard regarding the return of the plates has a significance intimating that the plates were not ordered back by Brickwood, but by Kalakaua. He says, "The dies were returned by the Boston Engravers to the Hawaiian authorities about 1867, and no further use being required of them, they were defaced by the *"then Postmaster General."* The *remaining* stock of both values of this issue were a year or two later over-printed specimens, and have ever since been sold as specimens of the first engraved stamps of the Hawaiian Islands."

It is known that prior to the placing of the first type of over-print, quantities of these original stamps were purchased which accounts for the number of unused sheets which are occasionally met with. A portion of this purchase eventually became the stock of a large London firm who no doubt have the history of the transaction.

Mr. Hanciau seemingly admits by the evidence produced in his article of December 1900 (*Monthly Journal*) that these stamps were in the Islands August, 1865, but owing to a raise in postage they had been suppressed, and, while Major Evans tries to put a different construction on this wording, M. Rondot used it advisedly.

He quotes Dr. Kalckoff and M. Piet-Lataudrie who prove that the stamps called "Re-prints" by Major Evans were original impressions issued prior to 1867, as these were the only stamps afterward surcharged "Specimen" that we know of.

M. Hanciau started in to prove, as he says, that the 5c and 13c in pale colors were reprints, and he means evidently by this the 1889 issue which were printed from another plate, for, when he mentions the orders from the original plates his data proves they were a regular issue. In other words, all stamps printed from the 1853 plates were for postal use and were ordered by each postmaster in succession because the postoffice ran short of them at different periods.

He accuses us of going into ancient history regarding the early Hawaiian stamps, into which he does not propose to follow me, because he thinks it best to stick to the one point in dispute, and this is, "At what date were certain copies of the five cent and thirteen cent of the type of 1853 printed?" I wish to assure the readers of this, that I went into previous history for the sole purpose of showing the events which caused Kalakaua to place an order for the five-cent and thirteen-cent 1853 type in 1864. Now, I do not agree with Major Evans that the dispute is a personal matter between us, but do think it is a matter highly interesting to collectors. I must digress a little to answer this latest article of his entitled "Hawaiian Re-prints," which is misleading.

The collectors above mentioned agree with E. D. Bacon and Dr. Kalckoff, that there are no reprints of these stamps, and the so-called "Re-prints" Hanciau is so badly mixed upon, were not re-prints at all, but were a printing from entirely new plates, and not from any die or roll or impression of the 1853 plate, all of which were published recently by me contrary to the evidence Major Evans now produces, which I will set forth in full later in this article. They were, in fact, as Dr. Kalckoff suggests from an entirely new engraved plate. The 1889 stamps were received and placed on sale to the public for postal use on September 6th, 1890, and continued in use until the 14th day of August, 1892. They were purchased and used by Hiram Bingham (now professor at Yale College), William Whitney (now Judge of the Circuit Court in Honolulu), W. D. Westervelt, (my informant, and President of the Historical Society of Hawaii) and others, and this is confirmed by F. L. Stoltz of San Francisco.

One of Major Evans' queries is as follows: "As we have said before, the whole question is that of the date at which these stamps were printed and sent to Hawaii. We gather that Mr. Crocker agrees with us in thinking that the stamps and the plates were sent at the same time." "Mr. Crocker contends that David Kalakaua ordered in 1864, a supply of these five-cent and thirteen-cent stamps for regular use. We venture to ask, Did he order the plates sent with them? and if so, why? If he did not order the plates to be sent, why were they sent? The plates had been made in Boston some eleven years previously, and had been there ever since. There was no possible reason why Kalakaua should have asked for the plates in 1864 when ordering a supply of stamps; it seems to us the last degree improbable that he would have ordered any stamps from Boston in 1864 after he had began to get stamps from New York."

If so unreasonable, let him convince the collectors. Kalakaua is the only Postmaster of record who demanded the plates be returned with the stamps. He did this with the National order previous to the one given Whitney, and there was much more reason for asking for the latter plates. My actual belief is that Major Evans answers his own questions in the above paragraph, but apologizing again for resorting to what he calls imagination, I will give the points accepted by the above specialists, on the facts so far accumulated.

There is in the letters produced by M. Hanciau evidence of the scarcity of the 5c stamp in 1864-1865, and that an order was placed for them in 1864.

On June 24th, 1864, Mr. Irwin sent J. B. Moens the new perforated and engraved stamp and some of the 5c stamps —1853 issue—showing these old stamps were still in use, and says nothing about a new perforated and engraved 5c stamp.

On the very same day he wrote acknowledging receipt of his first 2c engraved stamp, and neither mentions nor orders any new 5c stamp. This is his last letter to the National Bank-note Company, and goes to show he had nothing to do with the 5c engraved which appeared two years later.

Just eight months later he gives a full description of the new 2c perforated and engraved stamp, which had superceded all previous stamps, and he encloses sixty copies of the 5c blue—1853 type, and also one hundred and forty copies of 5c (blue) a new stamp. He says absolutely nothing about a new perforated and engraved 5c stamp, but states to Moens, and his language is very explicit, "I must apologize for having been so long in answering your letter, but as I sent you a new stamp which you have not yet seen, I hope you will not complain. The Postoffice has no 5c stamps on hand. While awaiting a fresh supply from the United States, we issue, in the meantime, the provisional 5c (numeral) to serve until the others arrive."

This was confirmed by Kalakaua officially later.

This absolutely proves that between June 24th, 1864 and February 24th, 1865, an order was placed in the United States for some 5c stamps. What answer has Major Evans to make to these letters written to Mr. Moens? who evidently was seeking the closest knowledge of stamp affairs? and why does Mr. Irwin speak of sending for a fresh supply of the old stamps when he was the originator of the new 2c stamps? and say he had nothing to do with a new 5c stamp?

Kalakaua became short of the 5c 1853 stamps in 1864 (was totally out of them February 1865) and went to Whitney (as did every one of his predecessors) with a requisition for them. It is clearly shown he did not know where the plates actually were. While awaiting their arrival, he was forced (as Jackson was in 1857) to use a provisional stamp. Jackson placed a manuscript five on the thirteen-cent. Kalakaua resorted to the numeral plate and had this type set five-cent issued. Kalakaua, as Evans states, had commenced to order modern engraved and perforated two-cent stamps, and at the time he placed the last order for the five-cent and thirteen-cent (which is one of the reasons for his not ordering a new five-cent stamp) he made a deal evidently with H. M. Whitney for the purchase of the old

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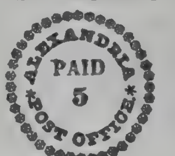

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dies, plates and rolls to have them returned for destruction, as they were private property and getting out of date. Major Evans introduces evidence that the Postoffice records of this date were destroyed or lost.

Clark, the previous Postmaster, had rejected proofs of the two-cent stamp, for the reason he tells me thev had the portrait of Kam. III and he ordered a new lithographed two-cent stamp with the head of Kam. IV. Kalakaua ordered his two-cent stamps with the portrait of Kam. V., and ordered the plates returned with the requisition. The plates of the five-cent and thirteen-cent, 1853 type, were the property of H. M. Whitney, and what was more natural now that the Government was about entering into arrangements with a new company (Kalakaua did not know what firm was going to print his stamps when he ordered them through Clark), that he would gather in these plates, which, as all data obtainable goes to show, no Postmaster nor Postoffice official could ever locate, but H. M. Whitney, the owner.

Major Evans conveys the impression that the Postoffice officials had lost the records of the location of these plates.

They did not belong to the Postoffice. Clark tried to locate them in 1860 through Marsh, but finally had to order them through the owner. He ordered his 2c lithographed stamp about the same time. The plate was destroyed after the second requisition. Whitney & Clark were not friendly, but it is possible Whitney helped him secure his order for the 2c.

Major Evans states, "We are asked to believe that Brickwood complained of the extra charge on this package of stamps ordered by H. M. Whitney prior to 1866," caused, as he states, "by the enormous weight of two little copper plates," but he produces evidence which shows him this is not a fact, nor did Mr. Irwin ever state that the axe was used on such plates. Evans' evidence (not new) is that Wundenberg sent dies, plates, and rolls of the five-cent and thirteen-cent to the National Bank-note people, which shows there must have been enough extra weight to bring a camplaint from Brickwood, for complaint there was.

The agent who placed Kalakaua's order for two-cent engraved and perforated stamps states that he did not order any five-cent stamps for Kalakaua, which would seem to add proof that the five-cent and thirteen-cent stamps were ordered through Whitney, and Irwin says he had nothing to do with making any designs for the new five-cent stamp though he "concocted" the two-cent design.

For nearly four months in 1864 the Hawaiian public were instructed, through the newspapers and by circulars on the Postoffice Bulletin, on a false rate of postage—the published rate was ten cents, the actual rate was three cents—and it was at this time the five-cent and thirteen-cent stamps were ordered. In all his writing Major Evans has never touched on this point. At no time has he considered or mentioned Kalakaua's letters in reference to his order from the United States at this time. M. Rondot evidently got hold of one of these circulars, and then learned that the stamps had been "suppressed" as he mentions a raise in the postage rate, and the only raise at this time was the above error of publication.

Kalakaua writes of his order for stamps from the United States on March 6th, 1865 (he was using a provisional at this time), and then is succeeded to Brickwood twenty-four days later; so that Kalakaua's order for stamps from the United States arrived during Brickwood's incumbency. If this is not so, we ask Major Evans to acquaint us what became of this order mentioned by Kalakaua officially and W. G. Irwin in the evidence produced by M. Hanciau.

Major Evans, quoting Wundenberg, says: "The dies were sent for under a previous administration (Brickwood's) *with the intention of destroying them* (the italics are ours)." Why these italics? When Major Evans produces in the same article proof that they were so badly destroyed they were never used again, Wundenberg asked Giffard why Brickwood destroyed the plates. My answer, agreeing with Evans, is: *They were sent for that purpose,* but Brickwood never ordered them back.

Now, if he did order stamps printed from these plates (and he says he did not do so), then Giffard is wrong in saying there were four original orders as catalogued by him. Take the *Monthly Journal* of November, 1895, mentioned by Evans. Giffard says: "I would like to correct the description given by me therein (his book) of the kinds of paper the five-cent blue 1853 originals, which I have reason to believe should be as follows:

1st, On thick white wove paper.
2nd, On medium thick bluish white wove paper.
3rd, On thin bluish white wove paper.
4th, On blue wove paper."

Giffard is not correct in the order of issue, for his description would make them:

1st, Ordered by H. M. Whitney.
2nd, Ordered by Kalakaua.
3rd, Ordered by Jackson.
4th, Ordered by Clark.

The orders were placed by Whitney, 1853; Jackson, 1857; Clark, 1861 and Kalakaua, 1864; and in the last instance, as stated by the Scott Stamp & Coin Company, not reissues because they were a necessity and there was no other five-cent stamp in use at the time.

Referring to Brickwood correspondence in 1867-68, Major Evans says:

"We are inclined to think that Mr. Brickwood's letters are almost conclusive proof that in April 1868, the stamps in question were not in existence." Would it not be well for him to go further and admit he had not even ordered them at the time, or he would have mentioned the fact? The plates were in Honolulu according to all data prior to April 1868, and he has never made the contention that Brickwood returned them to Boston. He goes on to say, quoting a letter of Brickwood's to the National Bank-note Company: "you will please, in delivering the package of stamps for transportation to the agent of the express company, to hand him an invoice of the same and forward a duplicate to this office, so that no unreasonable charge for carriage should he made, as was on the last package ordered by Mr. Whitney." "Surely," says Evans, "It is evident that "the last package" referred to was one from the same source." Now this letter is dated April 31, 1866, two years before Major Evans imagined order, and why is he so sure Brickwood knew where the Whitney order came from? There is not the slightest evidence that he or any Postmaster, before or after him, (See Wundenberg's letter 1889) ever knew where the plates were, excepting H. M. Whitney. It is conclusive, rather, that Brickwood would not know where to send and order the 1853 type, and seems to knock out Major Evans' theory that he did order any in 1868, or at any time, and it confirms Postmaster Brickwood's statement that he did not.

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Poor Girl—A reader has handed in an envelope that was returned to its sender. In addition to the "Return to Writer" rubber stamp is a variation of the "Unclaimed" stamp that catches the eye. Above the word, Unclaimed, is the outline cut of a girl about ten years of age, with her hair in a braid, holding her hands over her face. She really cannot conceal her feelings at the thought that nobody claims so nice a little girl as she and she tearfully moralizes upon the meanness of the boys and others in ignoring her. The postmaster at Farmington, West Virginia, uses the rubber stamp referred to, which is something of a novelty.

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Proved—The remarks on Postage Currency in the issue of October 1st attracted the attention of Frank C. Davis, Mohawk, New York, with interesting results, as proved by the following letter: "I submit the following which may be information on the subject of postal currency: General Francis E. Spinner was a resident of Mohawk and an intimate friend of Thos. Cunningham who still resides there. In the collection of fractional currency belonging to the latter, are four pieces of postal currency that were the gift of General Spinner at the time he first conceived the idea of using postage stamps in place of small money. The specimens consist of one 5-cent stamp, one 10-cent stamp, five 5-cent stamps and five 10-cent stamps. The paper to which the stamps are affixed is the stationery of the treasury department of the United States, engraved, and is two by four inches in size. The fifty cent piece is signed by General Spinner in his celebrated 'angle-worm' script. Mr. Cunningham claims that these pieces were the actual samples that were sent to the engraver to illustrate the idea that afterwards developed the postal currency." Mr. Davis is the first investigator who furnishes unimpeachable testimony to the existence of the "stamps pasted on slips of paper" that Mr. Chittenden describes in his article written in 1890 and we thank him for having certified to the actuality to-day of an issue of stamp money that was unique and of quaint, patriotic interest, but whose construction was of a character opposed to permanency.

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Confirmatory — Almost coincidental with the receipt of the contribution from Mr. Davis, the following letter from Chas. E. Fisher, now at Ann Arbor, Michigan, was received: "I was very much interested in your editorial on 'Postage Currency.' It seems singular that it was only one day last summer that a gentleman in Taunton (Mass.) showed me quite a lot of this sort of currency and asked me if it was worth anything. He had the five and the ten-cent stamps and some of his pieces were very clean specimens. I have never seen any article in any paper describing the issue spoken of and I am glad that you mention it. It seems sad that currency as interesting as this should be almost entirely forgotten." Mr. Fisher's letter is nicely confirmatory of that of Mr. Davis; and it is with little satisfaction that the "coin stamps" in question are rescued from oblivion. The gentleman who called our attention originally to the article in *Harper's Monthly* said that numismatists had no examples of the issue so far as he knew; and it was left for philatelists to prove the issue and this was fitting, as the appeal of this currency is almost wholly philatelic.

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THE STAMP MARKET.

By Senex.

The new Catalogue (Part II., 1911) is interesting, and prices therein seem to indicate that European stamps are moving up.

Portugal, 1895, 115 to 118 reis, ordinary issue, are seen to be good stamps.

A few years ago, the 13c U. S. A., 1902, was a not uncommon quotation per 100, but it now seems to be much scarcer; the 13c of 1908 is apparently scarcer still.

Nicaragua, 1903, should prove a profitable quest.

It is curious how the 50h and 60h Austrian Jubilee come to hand, usually in good clean condition, while a parcel of the 30h and the 2 kronen values do not seem to yield anything like the same percentage of fine copies. One would think that a fine specimen of the last-named should be worth all that is asked for it.

Servia, 1905 (*vide* catalogue), still maintain good prices. The 30 paras to 1 dinar are good selling stamps.

There are four or five items in Greece, 1901, that are worth having on hand.

Have just seen, for the first time (!), some of the Guatemalan railway stamps surcharged for postal use in 1886; these are curious, but then there are customers constantly on the lookout for the curious and out-of-the-ordinary. A page of Guatemalan surcharges should have an attraction.

The 12h Austrian Jubilee is proving troublesome to get at the right price just now; it seems the scarcest of all the values up to the 2 kronen.

The 25h Bosnia pictorial is also difficult to get in quantity.

Copies of the 100 reis Brazil Centenary of 1908, seem to be available; I have seen about a score. This is the scarlet oblong pictorial.

Quotations for middle values of European, such as the 50st Bulgaria, 1902, seem to be worth keeping a watch upon, since fluctuations in different localities allow of profitable purchasing.

Used copies of the Bulgarian Shipka Pass, and the 1907 Jubilees, will often sell at sight, without their cost being taken into much account.

Argentine, 1892, is occasionally a venture, on account of the likelihood of getting unpresentable copies; the 30c value seems particularly hard to get in fine state. Odd copies found on club-sheets are generally finer, and these should be worth buying and putting aside. The 12c and 50c of 1889, are also good stamps to have; Argentine is a popular country and these scarcer values sell freely.

Fifty copies of the 4d Barbados, Queen's, are a bit of a burden; a correspondent in Austria will take them, however, and send in exchange some of the latest Austria Jubilees. This means a quicker realisation.

The 20c Colombia, grey-black, 1904, should be looked up in the new catalogue; it is evidently a good stamp. Since the 50c value is likely to be hard to find, the 20c should make a good tail-piece to the set of 1, 2, 5, 10 and 20c of this nice series.

The new prices for the Ecuador triangulars of 1908 occur to one as being too cheap.

The chalk-surfaced 10 piastres, Egypt, is evidently worth double the price of the plain paper variety, a point worth bearing in mind. There is also a wide difference in value between the 5 piastres of 1884 and that of 1902 (same type). The Unpaids of 1889 seem everywhere priced too low.

The 20c French, 1900, is now catalogued 6d, a figure which illustrates the comparative scarcity of this stamp. The 20c, 1902, should go higher; also the various "F. M.'s".

Crete "Ellas" up to the 10 lepta value are readily available, but where are the 20, 25 and 50 lepta values? Wholesale sets of the plain 1905 issue included the 20 and 25 lepta, but it seems this is not the case at present with the "Ellas" surcharges.

Used peso values of South American States seem a good venture; these high values often find their way into U. S. A., and some collector-dealer may have copies to spare, if one can get in touch with him. Prices have been seen for the 1 sucre values of Ecuador 1901 and 1907, and the 50c of these are also good. The 1 peso Paraguay, oblong pictorial, is another desirable stamp. Possibly hundreds of collectors are looking out for such as these.

Out-of-the-way things can be picked up occasionally in the way of Nicaragua Unpaids, Peru Express Delivery, Paraguay Dues and Officials, U. S. A. Colonial Unpaids, etc.; these are readily snapped up by a general collector who takes everything he hasn't already got. It would be interesting to get some clean used Salvador Parcel Post stamps, but perhaps not many collectors have ever seen these.

Some older issues are not easy to light upon, since new things seem to quickly take the place of the old. It is not a bad plan to lay in a stock with an eye to the years to come, where one is certain of one's purchase.—*Stamp Collectors Fortnightly.*

Written for Mekeel's Weekly.

ITEMS FROM THE ENGLISH PRESS.

By Chas. E. Jenney.

In D. B. Armstrong's article on Orange River Colony in *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* for Aug. 13th, are described some little known Railway Official Stamps. In 1905 the values ½d to 1 shilling were surcharged C. S. A. R. in small block capitals in black across the centre of the stamps, for use by the officials of the Central South African Railways, to prevent pilfering by employees. They were surcharged at the Railway Printing Works in Johannesburg, in complete sheets. But the Colonial postal authorities objected to this disfigurement and their use had to be promptly stopped, after however, the authorities had permitted them to use up those already surcharged. They are very scarce used and practically unknown unused.

Later, in 1908, this company punctured its initials with small holes in the stamps, one letter in each corner.

For a time, likewise, the Natal government railways, which control a section of Orange River Colony railways, used Natal stamps perforated N. G. R. within the bounds of the Orange River Colony, until this was objected to.

This paper calls our attention to the re-engraving of the current Swiss stamps of lower value. The new stamps show the cord of the cross-bow behind the stock instead of in front of it. Careful observers must have had considerable cause for amusement at the impractical cross-bow that has been current, and which will rank with some of the famous solecisms previously committed on stamps, such as the spy-glass in the hands of Columbus. The perpetrator of this William Tell design should certainly be ashamed of himself, not only for this rank mistake but for the whole absurd design.

In the Sept. 10th issue of the same paper in Melville's splendidly illustrated paper on watermarks, we note an elucidation long needed on Russian watermarks. These have often evaded collectors through ignorance of the facts herein stated. They are not produced by the dandy roll like most other watermarks, but were engraved in recess on a smooth metal cylinder which was rolled over the soft unformed paper. A slight embossing effect was produced and the watermarks show dull white impressions of the thick numerals on the backs of the stamps.

An advertisement in *The Postage Stamp* of Sept. 17th develops a fact not hitherto well brought out in the descriptions of the celebrated one shilling Stock Exchange forgeries. This collector offers 30 different letterings. Our supposition was that all the forgeries had the same corner letters. A collector or dealer in this country would hardly dare thus to offer openly for sale counterfeits of our own country.

In *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* of Sept. 17, Charles J. Phillips announces that the Stanley-Gibbons catalogue, Part II, is about ready for delivery and that nearly 70 pages more have been added this year. The re-writing and re-arrangement of many countries will doubtless change market quotations considerably and he announces that a very large number of prices have been raised.

We are a little startled to read in his announcement of the purchase of a large collection of Oil Rivers and Niger Coast that it cost owner just under $10,000 to compile it. That one of the minor "philatelic" countries, very new and very much disregarded by collectors generally, should reach this figure is surprising. I fancy the ordinary American collector would not go over one-one hundredth of this price.

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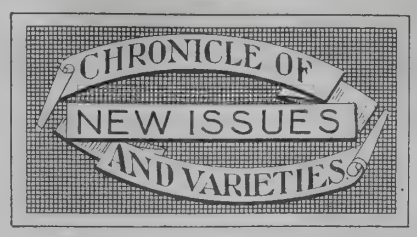

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AUSTRIA.—We take the following from *Ewen's Weekly Stamp News:* A collector narrates in the *Berliner Briefmarken Zeitung* his experiences in purchasing the Jubilee issue. He resides in a small town in Bohemia and presented himself punctually at 8 a. m. on the morning of the imperial birthday, August 8. The Jubilee stamps had not arrived! He says:—"I came again—and hundreds of others, of whom I know that not twenty were serious collectors—at 9, 10, 11 o'clock. Still nothing had arrived. At last, at half-past three, the supply came. The Post Office received one sheet of 80 each of the 1, 2, 3, 6, 12, 20, 30, 35, 50, 60 heller and 1 krone stamps and 1,000 each of the 5, 10 and 25 heller. I wanted to buy them all, as I had been the first to arrive. But had I not been personally known to all the would-be purchasers, I should have been lynched! As it was, I was assailed on all sides with requests and entreaties to leave some for other buyers. Consequently I bought ten sets, but the postal official would not let me have any of the 1, 2, 3 and 6 heller separately! In half an hour all the stamps were sold out, except the 5, 10 and 25 heller which were finished on 20th August. The same thing happened at all the post offices in the neighborhood, and I imagine it was the same throughout Austria."

Considering that there were 70,000 sets issued, it is surprising how quickly they were bought up. The cheapest retail quotation yet seen is that of 6d per set from 1 heller to 1 krone, which is being advertised by a German dealer. This is more than 100 per cent. premium on face value. Whether the stamps will get cheaper remains to be seen; at present a wholesale quotation under 50 per cent. over face would be cheap.

Another correspondent of our German contemporary states that all the birthday stamps remaining at post offices have been withdrawn by official circular.

BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE.—The *Stamp Colectors' Fortnightly* chronicles a new 6d stamp, the current 6d of Transvaal being overprinted "Bechuanaland—Protectorate."

Adhesive.

6d orange and black.

BOSNIA.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the full set of the Jubilee stamps, with the dates "1830—1910" added at the bottoms. The colors are practically the same as before, though there are slight variations in shade on all values. Like the Austrian Jubilee series, the Bosnia stamps are improved by the addition made.

CEYLON.—According to *Ewen's Weekly,* the new 2, 5 and 10 rupees stamps are printed from plate 1 in sheets of 120 divided into two panes of 60, each 10 rows of 6 stamps as usual. The 10, 25, 50 cents and 1 rupee are, on the other hand, printed from a new plate, No. 2, in sheets of 240, divided into 4 panes of 60.

The 3c, 12c and 15c of the old set just received are still printed from plate 1 in sheets of 120, but if a new printing should take place it will probably be from plate No. 2.

These seven new stamps will probably have only a short life as is unlikely, in view of King George's accession to the throne, that they were printed in any large quantity.

Following the example of India set in 1908, the separate telegraph and foreign bill stamps are to be abolished in Ceylon and the bulk of the 5 and 10 rupees stamps will probably be used on telegrams.

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HONG KONG.—Harry Fox reports the 8c value in a single color.

Adhesive.

8c violet.

INDIA.—*Bussahir.—Maury's Collectionneur* chronicles a new envelope, with stamp of the type of the postage stamps of 1900, but surcharge "RS" in violet.

Envelope.

¼a lilac on white.

MACAO.—*Ewen's Weekly* reports having seen a cover with half of 6 avos on 200 reis, cut vertically, and half of 3 avos gray and black, cut diagonally, and used to make 4½ avos.

MAURITIUS.—*Ewen's Weekly* reports two new rupee values, in the new colors. We have previously chronicled the one and 10 rupees stamps.

Adhesives.

2½r black and red on blue.
5r green and red on yellow.

NICARAGUA.—Hermann Focke calls our attention to an oversight by which we were led to treat as something new one of the multitude of freaks coming from this country. However, we will let Mr. Focke speak for himself, though the joke is on the editor of the chronicle.

"Frank C. Davis' report of the misterious 5 centavos stamp of Nicaragua, surcharge 'B—Dpto. Zelaya,' in No. 1031 amuses me, and your memory seems to have been darkened by the many surcharges coming from that country, as it is not over a month that I sent you a cover with one of these creations, and you had the kindness of describing it in No. 1027. It is nothing else but the cut square stamp of the envelope of 1905 printed by the American Bank Note Co. used in an emergency, because the regular blue 5c stamps were not in evidence at the Bluefields post office. This cut square affair is sold over the counter ungummed."

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—Harry Fox reports having received the new 5c orange brown, 25c violet and 30c violet and orange, all in Scott's type A14.

RUSSIA.—*Offices in the Levant.—Ewen's Weekly* is informed on good authority that the Mételin and Rizeh sets are at last to be issued. The issue for Mont Athos is to be changed and a correspondent states that the new overprint will be in Russian characters. The 35 and 70 piastres will not be changed, at any rate at present.

The 20 para on 4 kopeks of the ordinary Levant set (not the jubilee series) has been altered and the new 20 para has appeared.

Adhesive.

20 para on 5k violet.

SALVADOR.—We are indebted to the New England Stamp Co. for three new values in the new set. The C. E. Hussman Stamp Co. has also shown us a cover with the new 10c stamp, and also with the 1c, 2c, 12c and 19c, previously chronicled.

Adhesives.

10c purple and black.
50c yellow and black.
100c robin's egg blue and black.

SOUTH AFRICAN UNION.—"Some months ago, when the air was full of talk of Union the suggestion was put forward that a commemorative postage stamp should be issued to mark the consummation of that ideal," says the *Johannesburg Sunday Times.*

"The idea was that the stamp should be issued on May 31. The Transvaal authorities took the matter up and considered various designs, which were also submitted to the administrations in the other colonies. Mr. Merriman, however, was not enamoured of the designs, so report has it, as he did not find them artistic enough. Eventually he appeared less enthusiastic about having a commemorative stamp, as it seemed that it would be impossible to have them ready for issuing by May 31.

"Subsequent to that date, however, the authorities considered other designs, and I am now informed by the Postmaster-General for the Union (Mr. W. T. Hoal) that it is the intention of the Government to introduce, concurrently with the opening of the Union Parliament in November next (and, therefore, practically in commemoration of the culminating fact of Union) a postage stamp of the 2½d denomination.

"This represents the Universal Postal Union unit of postage, and the stamp, which will be issued in advance of and apart from the inevitable general issue for the South African Union, will in no way be limited in its period of currency, although the issue is not likely to be repeated.

"The design will include a representation of the present King's head and the arms of the four provinces comprising the Union."

The *Manchester Dispatch* states that the stamp is of a deep shade of blue, on a white ground. The head of King George has been carefully selected from a recent photograph, giving a front view that is full of character. King George personally examined and approved the head as engraved. In the four corners of the stamp, which is about twice the size of an ordinary stamp, are miniature copies of the heraldic insignia of the four colonies now composing the Union. The designation of the stamp is inscribed both in English and in Dutch.

TONGA.—A provisional registration envelope is reported for this colony by *Maury's Collectionneur*, the 4d red of 1893 having the value barred and "3" printed in surcharge in black.

Provisional Registration Envelope.

3d on 4d red; black surcharge.

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OUR BOOK REVIEW.

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Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

A HARD BLOW AT PROVISIONAL ISSUES.

AN IMPORTANT DECREE OF INTEREST TO PHILATELISTS SENT BRITISH COLONIAL OFFICIALS.

By WM. WARD.

An esteemed friend on a London press agency has supplied me with the following British Colonial office order just issued to the Governors of the British Colonies by the Earl of Crewe, the Colonial Secretary. The purport of this official communication is of extreme importance to philatelists as it applies solely to stamp collecting. This new order practically kills any further issue of provisional stamps. One of the chief causes of this edict is that of the Gambia, Straits Settlements and Cayman Islands scandals, that was brought to the notice of the British Colonial office authorities by the writer. At first he had to meet with the usual official red-tape, but the continual upholding of evidence has been the means of a thorough enquiry taking place. The result was firstly the dismissal of several persons concerned from the service and the transfer of a certain Colonial Secretary to an inferior post to that which he had held, and finally the following decree which is given below:

Sir:—I have the honour to inform you that my attention has recently been called on several occasions to disputes and irregularities in various Crown Colonies arising in connection with the sale of postage stamps to persons who deal in them for purposes of trade.

2.—The more serious difficulties which have recently been experienced have been connected with issues of surcharged stamps. Attention was called to the objections to such issues in Lord Ripon's circular despatch of August 18, 1893, in which it was pointed out that surcharging should be unnecessary if proper care is taken to maintain a sufficient supply of stamps. I concur in this view, and, with the object of avoiding such issues for the future, I have decided that the Officer Administering the Government, the Colonial Secretary, and the Colonial Postmaster of the various Crown Colonies and the Protectorates should be held collectively and individaully responsible for ensuring that an adequate stock of stamps is kept in the Colony or Protectorate, and for ordering a fresh supply as soon as the stock in hand falls below the amount normally required for a period of, say, six months.

3.—It will, I believe, be found in practice that no difficulties will arise if a large supply of halfpenny and penny stamps is always kept in hand. Multiples of these could always be used either separately or in combination with other stamps in the event of a temporary shortage in any stamp of a higher denomination.

4.—I find that in certain cases Colonial Governors have accepted from dealers standing orders for the supply of new issues, &c. Such arrangements are calculated to lead to irregularities and complaints, and should be discontinued. They are quite outside the ordinary functions of a Post Office, and I consider that any dealer making such a proposal should be informed that his order can only be accepted if it is for a definite supply of stamps in current use.

5.—While it is, no doubt, generally understood by members of the Civil Service of the Colonies and Protectorates that dealings in postage stamps for purposes of private profit are not allowed, I desire to impress on all Postmasters, Treasurers, or other financial officers that they will render themselves liable to grave censure if they engage in any transactions of this nature.

6.—In this connection I think it well to lay down, following the practice of the General Post Office in this country, that all officials should refuse to comply with requests to affix stamps to letters or to cancel stamps which are not affixed to letters. You will be good enough to see that this rule is adopted throughout the territory under your Government.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) CREWE.

Concerning this decree the *Fortnightly* says:

"The reader will at once recognise that this circular gives every evidence of having been compiled with great care and deliberation. It is evidently intended both as a reprimand for past derelictions of public duty and as a serious warning that such proceedings will not be tolerated in the future.

It is to be hoped for their own sakes that the parties concerned will take due heed of Lord Crewe's circular, and thus avoid the "grave censure" with which they are threatened in the event of further trafficking in postage stamps for private profit.

That Lord Crewe has carefully and judicially studied the whole question is apparent from Paragraph 2 alone. And in that same paragraph it is made abundantly clear that the Colonial Secretary is determined to make an end of the "Caymanising" of Colonial postal emissions. The chief officers of the Government of each Crown Colony or Protectorate are to be held "collectively and individually responsible" for ensuring that a sufficient stock of stamps shall always be kept, thus avoiding any occasion (*i. e.*, any excuse) for an issue of surcharged provisionals.

Paragraph 3 is in the nature of friendly advice, but Paragraphs 4 and 5 have reference to dealings in stamps by Government officials, and Paragraph 6 deals with the complaisance of certain postal officials who obligingly cancel stamps to order. Against this last practice a rigid rule is laid down and colonial Governors are instructed to see that that rule is adopted throughout the territory under their government.

It is a circular which will be welcomed by all who wish well to philately, and we hope that its terms will be rigorously enforced."

The dealers of England speak very approvingly of the new order.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—The collection of Mexican Entires, formed by Walter Clarke Bellows, has just been sold to S. Schachne, Chillicothe, O. It is without a doubt the largest specialized collection ever formed of any one country. It is contained in 10 Krassa Blank Albums, made specially for the purpose.

—There is being offered through the "General Delivery," N. Y. City, four 12 pence black Canada, the owner claiming that the stamps are all that is left of a large collection recently disposed of. A singular feature of the case is that a cash deposit is wanted before the stamps are sent for inspection, and the combination of circumstances is such as to advise caution on the part of would-be purchasers.

—We have received from a New York subscriber a communication ridiculing the "characteristics" of the "re-engraved" 3c Cuba. We hold this matter in abeyance until definite information is at hand. We published the article as worthy of being reprinted and are in a receptive mood for further information.

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1851	10c, good copy	.75	.35
1857	5c, Type I, average	4.00	1.60
	5c, " III, "	2.50	1.10
	10c (on cover 25c)	.50	.20
	12c, average	..	.50
	*24c, full o. g.	6.00	1.85
	24c, good used copy	4.00	1.65
1861	3c pink, fine pink shade, nice	7.00	2.75
	5c buff, perfs. clipped at side	7.00	2.50
	5c brown, average	.50	.25
	10c green (on cover 12c)	.15	.08
	*24c	4.00	1.20
	90c, nice clean copy	3.50	1.85
1868	15c, 11x13, fair average	4.00	1.25
	5c, 9x13, very nice copy	4 00	2.00
	90c, well c'nt'd, fine color, th. spot	12.00	3.90
1869	1c, average	.75	.25
	*1c, gum, nice copy	1.25	.70
	1c. without gum, fine	1.25	.60
	*1 & 3c, both fine but no gum	1.75	.85
	*15c, o. g., very nice	6.00	2.75
	15c, used	..	.90
	*24c, very good copy	12.50	3.75
	30c, not centered	3.00	1.25
	*30c, o. g., pen mark above eagle, a beauty	..	3.00
1870	*10c, faint grill as usual, rare	35.00	7.00
1871	*1c, finely centered	3.00	1.00
	*2c	1.50	.50
	12c, fine	.50	.25
	*15c, no gum	5.00	1.35
	24c, good average	1.50	.75
	90c, cancelled a little heavy	1.25	.50
1872	7c, fine (average copy 35c)	.75	.45
	12c	.50	.30
	*10c, o. g., centered north	5.00	.95
	90c	2.50	1.25
1878	90c, o. g., nice	7.50	3.00
1888	*90c, o.g., superb (auction pr. 2.10)	..	2.00
1890	*1c to 90c, o.g., complete fine set	..	2.75
	*90c, o. g., very fine (blk. 4 $5.00)	..	1.35
	90c, used (average 25c)	.50	.30
1893	Columbian *1c to $5.00 comp., face $16.34	..	15.50
	*$1 o. g., superb (blk. same rate)	3.00	1.75
	$2.00, good used	2.25	1.45
1898	Omaha *1 to 10c, o. g.	..	.55
1901	Pan American *1 to 10c, o. g.	..	.55
	Louisiana *1 to 10c, o. g.	..	.45
	Jamestown *1 to 5c, o. g	..	.14
	DEPARTMENTS		
	Agriculture 1c, used, scarce	2.50	1.25
	*1c	3.50	1.25
	15c, used, fair	2.50	.90
	24c, used	3.50	1.40
	Executive *2c, fine	8.00	3.20
	*1 to 10c Specimen, ink bar drawn through SPECIMEN	..	2.50
	Interior 1 to 90c, good average set	..	2.25
	P. O. *2c, o. g.	.40	.15
	*10c, o. g.	1.50	.75
	*90c, o. g., gray surface, cen. S.	5.00	1.20
	1 to 90c, complete	..	2.75
	Justice *1c, o. g.	..	.70
	3c, average	..	.25
	10c, good, used	2.50	1.15
	*24c, o. g., cen. W, scarce	17.50	4.25
	Navy *10c, o. g.	2.50	.90
	15c, good, used	2.25	1.00
	*30c, o. g., good	5.00	1.90
	State *1c, o. g.	2.50	.90
	2c, used	4.00	1.40
	Treasury set, complete	..	2.25
	24c, very nice used copy	3.00	1.50
	War, set complete	..	2.00
	Periodicals 5c	2.50	1.25
	1897, *1c to $100, complete o. g.	..	2.75
	Dues 30 and 50c brown	2.25	.90
	30 and 50c claret	1.40	.65
	Revenues.—30c For. Exchange, fine	1.50	.70
	Imperf. 50c Convey., 50c Lease, fine	5.00	1.75
	" 50c Probate of Will, fine	2.50	1.00
	" $1.00 Lease, nice	2.00	.80
	" $1.00 Mortgage	1.50	.70
	" 70c, nice stamp	4.00	1.40
	" $1.60, good copy, fair margins	10.00	3.75
	Perf. $1.00 Probate of Will, average	1.00	.50
	" $1.60, very fine	2.00	1.20
	" $1.90, average	1.00	.45
	" $5.00 Manifest	2.50	.90
	" $10.00 Probate of Will	1.00	.50
	" $15.00 Mortgage, ultra., rare	20.00	7.00
	" $25.00, very fine copy	..	2.25
	" $50.00	..	1.65
	3rd Issue, $10.00 green	..	1.25
	1898, $5.00 on Periodical (reading up)	4.00	2.00
	" $100.00, nice lightly cut copy	6.00	2.90
	Proprietary 1871, 10c on green, fair	2.50	.75
	1875-81, 10c, not centered	12.00	4.00
	" 2c, rouletted	5.00	1.40
	" 3c, " nice stamp	3.50	1.35

SPACE FILLERS

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	UNITED STATES		
1847	5c	..	.50
	10c	5.00	1.40
1851	5c, close margins	10.00	1.50
1857	5c brick red, perfs. clipped side	7.50	2.75
	5c red brown, Type I	6.00	1.00
	*24c	6.00	1.00
	24c, used	4.00	1.00
	30c, used	6.00	1.25
1861	10c August, looks fine	7.00	1.60
	3c pink, good color	7.50	1.00
	5c buff	7.00	1.25
	Same	7.00	1.00
	5c red brown	3.50	1.00
	90c blue	3.50	1.00
1868	24c	5.00	1.00
	30c	3.50	.90
1869	24c, repaired	5.00	1.35
	15c, no frame, poorly centered	3.50	1.15
	15c, framed	1.50	.50
	30c, poorly centered	3.00	1.25
	90c	..	3.50
	DEPARTMENTS		
	Agriculture 24c	3.50	.85
	Executive 2c	6.50	1.25
	6c Specimen (damaged)	..	.90
	Navy 7c	8.50	1.50
	30c	3.00	1.00
	State *2c	5.00	.90
	2c, used	..	.75
	*90c, cracked across	12.00	2.25
	$2, $5, $10, $20 card proofs	..	2.75
	Periodicals 1865, 5, 10, 25 card proofs	..	1.00
	1875, 1c to $60.00 card proofs	..	2.75
	" 9c	10.00	1.75
	" $3.00 vermilion, punched	6.00	1.25
	1897 set, no gum, good	..	1.75
	Revenues.—1c Playing Cards	3.00	1.00
	3c Playing Cards	6.00	1.20
	4c "	8.00	1.35
	$1 Passage Ticket	6.00	1.15
	2nd Issue, $3.50 blue	5.00	1.15
	1898, $100	..	1.90
	FOREIGN		
	Antigua 1d, No. 6, fine	2.50	1.00
	6d, No. 7, fine	1.00	.50
	Argentine 15c, No. 13, fine	3.00	1.25
	12c greenish blue, No. 46, scarce	1.25	.75
	1 peso, No. 86	1.00	.50
	5 peso, No. 87 surch. "Muestra"	..	.85
	Austria 1858, 3kr black or green, either	..	.50
	1890, *1 and *2gul, o. g.	4.00	1.75
	Azores 1885, *1000r	..	1.45
	Barbados 1d, No. 2, fine	1.75	1.00
	*1sh, No. 21, o. g., good	2.50	1.00
	5sh, slight tear, looks fine	10.00	4.75
	*½d, No. 44, o. g.	2.50	1.00
	4d, No. 53	1.00	.38
	3d, No. 52	2.50	1.10
	1882, *5sh, o. g., fine, scarce	..	3.25
	1897, *2sh 6d, o. g.	..	2.50
	Bavaria 1kr, No. 1, clipped a bit at r., good	4.50	2.75
	*12kr, No. 13, o. g., fine	3.00	1.50
	18kr, No. 14, o. g., superb	8.00	3.00
	Brazil 1843, 30r, good	3.50	1.50
	1861, 280 and 430r, close margin	8.00	2.00
	Br. Columbia 2½d, No. 4, fair	5.00	1.50
	5c, No. 5, bright color	6.00	1.90
	*10c, o. g., nice copy	6.00	2.50
	25c, fair	2.50	1.00
	Baden 18kr, slight tear	4.00	1.35
	Br. Guiana 4c, No. 7, clipped at l. and a little rubbed, a rare stamp	45.00	8.50
	1868, 6c blue, No. 67, good copy	2.50	1.10
	1876, *1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 12c, fine	10.50	4.20
	1889, *96c, o. g., fine	..	1.30
	Br. Honduras *50c on 1sh, No. 31, o. g., fine	..	.90
	*25c, No. 47, o. g., fine	..	1.50
	Canada 6d, No. 5, fine looking, th. spot	6.00	1.35
	3d, No. 4	.40	.25
	1859, 2c, average copies	1.25	.50
	" 17c blue	..	.60
	1897, *$1 and $2, o. g., fine	..	3.75
	" $5.00, nice used copy	4.00	2.25
	Quebec, ½ to 20c, used	..	.55
	Cape of Good Hope, 6d, No. 5, good	3.00	1.00
	4d, No. 4, good	..	.40
	1d, No. 3	1.75	.75
	Ceylon 5d, No. 6	3.50	1.40
	1864, 8d	2.00	.90
	" 1sh	1.75	.80
	1899, 2r 25c yellow, rare	..	2.50
	Dan. W. I. *3c, No. 1, fair	5.00	1.25
	*14c, No. 12, better than usual	14.00	5.50
	Curacao 2g 50c, No. 7, fine	2.00	1.00
	Cuba *1877, 10c green	4.00	1.25
	Cyprus *½d, No. 1, o. g.	2.50	1.00
	Denmark 48c, fairly good.	3.00	1.00
	Fiji 1892, *5sh, o. g.	..	1.50
	Falkland 1898, *2sh 6d, o. g., fine	..	2.00
	Finland 10k, No. 2, nice copy	2.50	1.25
	Gambia 1898, *½ to 1sh, o. g.	..	1.65
	Great Britain 1878, 10sh, No. 72, fair	7.50	2.25
	1£, No. 73, tear	12.00	4.75
	*1sh, o. g., No. 107	3.50	1.50
	Guam *1c to $1.00, complete o. g.	..	8.00
	France 1fr, close at bottom, otherwise fine	5.00	2.25
	German Levant *1¼ and 2½pi, Nos. 504, 506, o. g.	4.50	2.00
	Hawaii *12c red lilac, o. g., fine	2.25	1.00
	1893, *12c red lilac, red sur., fine	5.00	2.75
	Hanover 10gr, slight thin spot, fine	15.00	5.00
	Hong Kong 18c lilac, No. 14, only fair	5.00	1.00
	*14c on 30c, o. g., scarce	2.25	1.25
	Iceland *2a, No. 1, o. g.	3 25	1.25
	India 4a, No. 6, scarce	2.50	1.40
	Ionian Isles, complete set, fair only	..	1.40
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SLIGHT CHANGES IN BY-LAWS.

In consequence of the late hour in the morning up to which the By-Laws Committee were obliged to work at the recent Detroit Convention, they overlooked two small items that should have been acted upon, to rectify which the Board of Directors have by unanimous vote made the following changes in the By-Laws:

Article VII, Section 6, has been changed by striking out the words "subscription and" from the third line of the second paragraph.

Article VII, Section 10, has been changed by making the period in the ninth line a semicolon and adding "except that the prices for examination of all surcharges as well as cancellations shall be 15 cents per stamp."

The first change eliminates the Editor from being responsible for subscriptions, and is made to harmonize the law as passed at the last convention that makes all subscriptions payable to the Treasurer.

The second change creates a new fee for experting cancellations and surcharges by the Counterfeit Detector, and is in harmony with the recommendation made by that officer in his last annual report.

For the Board of Directors,
W. H. BARNUM, Sec.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING OCT. 8, 1910.

APPLICATIONS PENDING.

Dosch, Chas. F., Jr.	Christie, Chas. M.
Cramer, Chris L.	Hardy, Jr., W. F.
Leland, Ralph Marshall	Seagrave, Herman B.
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Grant, Jas. G.	Kuppers, Paul
Nixon, Percy G.	Page, Robt. H.
Sherman, Frank A.	Petsche, B. W.

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Dod, Wm. S., P. O. Dept. (City Dept.) Kansas City, Mo.; age 21; Clerk. Reference: Postmaster, Kansas City. Proposed by Frank Bescher, No. 278.

Campbell, H. G., Lauderdale Mns., London, England; age legal; Philatelist. Reference: W. O. Wylie, Boston, Mass. Proposed by H. S. Adair, No. 2447.

Jot, Peter O., 63 Ban Kradee Cheen Santa Cruz Church, Bangkok, Siam; age 32; Assistant Mgr. Siam Electricity Co., Ltd. Reference: Fred G. de Jesus, A. P. S. No. 3604. Proposed by H. S. Adair, No. 2447.

Dunlap, T. R., 6207 Washington Ave., Chicago, Ill.; age 27; Draftsman. References: Philadelphia Stamp Club; Illinois Steel Co., South Chicago. Proposed by Hugh M. Clark, No. 3183.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3872. Heth, John N., Birmingham, Mich.
3873. Strader, G. M., Bay Bridge, Ohio.

REINSTATED.

1800. Sprague, H. C. H., Winnipeg, Can.

RESIGNATIONS ACCEPTED.

3185. Harris, Andrew L., Columbus, O.
3345. Davis, Arthur W., Utica, N. Y.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

2167. Aldrich, W. S., from New York City to Box 158, St. Joseph, Mo.
2838. Hyde, Capt. Arthur P. S., from Newport, R. I., to Fort Flagler, Wash.
3181. Should read, Blackstad, O., Post Box E, Waimea Kanai, Hawaii.
2531. Doyle, Geo. A., from 10 Cottage Pl. to 34 Cottage Place, Bridgeport, Ct.
2668. Beals, Claude C., from 701 Pearl St. to 2531 Tenth St., Boulder, Colo.
3727. King, Dr. W. W., from San Francisco, Cal., to care American Consulate, Naples, Italy.

RESIGNATIONS RECEIVED.

2286. Beattie, M. D., Jos. H., Box 122, Dobbs Ferry, N. Y.
2169. McLeod, H. B., 42 Riverview Ave., London, Canada.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY.

Total membership Oct. 1, 1910,	1756
New stockholders,	2
Reinstated,	1
	1759
Resignations accepted,	2
Total membership Oct. 8, 1910,	1757

W. H. BARNUM, Sec.

BRANCH REPORTS.

Spokane.—The first regular meeting of the Spokane Branch was held in the Public Library Building September 30th, 1910. The following officers were elected: Arthur Oehler, Pres.; S. A. Kaasen, Vice Pres.; Herbert Armstrong, Treas.; Carl W. Art, Sec. and Sales Mgr. *Everybody's Philatelist*, of Astoria, Oregon, was elected official organ. Regular meetings first and third Fridays of each month.—CARL W. ART, Sec.

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BOSTON, MASS., Oct. 15, 1910.

The 234th (regular) meeting of the Society will be held at the Club Room on Tuesday evening, October 18th, at 7.30 o'clock.

There will be a competitive exhibition of entire envelopes in two sections, (*a*) United States and (*b*) Foreign. As we do not often have an exhibit of envelopes, it is hoped that all who collect these will endeavor to bring in at least some part of their collection for our entertainment.

There will also be a special exhibit from the collection of Mr. George H. Worthington.

The following candidates for admission will be voted upon: —
W. T. McQuesten.
Henry Ades Fowler.

Those remaining in town for the meeting will find congenial spirits gathered at the Crawford Café, 13 Brattle St., at 6 o'clock for supper.

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NEW YORK, Oct. 6, 1910.

The 148th meeting was called to order at 8.30 P. M. with 14 members and 3 visitors present. Applications for membership: Elbert H. Gammans, Jr., 181 Joralemon St., Brooklyn, proposed by Mozian, seconded by Dicke; J. Saulnier, 240 East 124 St., proposed by Mozian, seconded by Drinche. Several communications were read and acted upon. The stamp bourse, which is now assuming gigantic proportions, occupied the entire evening until a very late hour. Next meeting October 20th.

HENRY J. DICKE, Sec.

14th ANNUAL CONVENTION OF S. P. A.

The annual convention of the S. P. A. was held at the Hotel Kupper in Kansas City, Mo., Monday morning, October 3rd, 1910, M. O. Canfield, temporary chairman. W. H. McNeil and John Straley were elected permanent chairman and secretary.

The secretary's membership summary was: Membership Jan. 1, 1910, 312; admitted Jan. 1 to Sept. 25, 1910, 124; reinstated since January, 13; total, 449.

The secretary was instructed to get out Year Book about the first of January of each year. Galveston, Texas, was elected for the convention for 1911. Collections were shown by Messrs. Bescher, Clark, Baker, Scott, McNeil and others.

The Kansas City members were up to date in every way in the matter of entertainment, making fine arrangements for all the members present, and seeing that everyone had a good time.

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* 8	1888, 5c green	.05	.03
* 9	" 10c red	.06	.04
* 10	" 25c blue	.10	.08
* 11	" 50c gray	.50	.25
* 18	1894, 1fr lilac	.60	.35
* 20	1895, 5c brown and black	.06	.04
* 21	" 10c blue and black	.06	.04
* 9	Cook Islands 1893, 1d brown	.40	.15
* 15	1893, 1d brown	.25	.10
* 17	" 1½d violet	.12	.06
* 18	" 2d brown	.15	.08
* 21	" 6d violet	.30	.20
* 23a	" 1sh carmine	.85	.40
* 25	1900, ½d blue	.06	.03
* 1	Corea 1885, 5m rose	.50	.20
* 2	1885, 10m blue	.10	.04
* 3	" 25m orange	.04	.03
* 5	" 100m blue and pink	.04	.03
6	1895, 5p green	.06	.03
* 18	1900, 2r gray	.02	.01
19	" 1c green	.04	.03
21	" 3c red	.08	.04
* 3	Costa Rica 1863, ½r blue	.05	.03
* 4	1863, 2r scarlet	.05	.03
* 5	" 4r green	.30	.15
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MINOR VARIETIES.

By L. HARALD KJELLSTEDT.

Supposing that you take a special interest in the issues of your own country, you will ever be on the lookout for minor varieties, or copies deviating in any way or manner from the normal. This search for minor varieties stimulates a *study* of your stamps as nothing else will, and it is this study, and the results it has brought about, which we have dignified with the name of philately, or which confer on philately the dignity of a semi science. Those who divide this search for the minor variety, and cry out against "dotty philately," have not been endowed with the enthusiasm, patience, and the serious mind which form part of the makeup of every true philatelist.

If philatelic study and research are simply carried out in order to find something "not catalogued," and with ultimate thoughts of financial possibilities, they are not conducted in the right spirit, and the element of commercialism will deprive the results of a considerable part of their philatelic value. The discovery of, and the clearing up of the whys and wherefores of the issue on experimental paper, were of purely philatelic interest, but the subsequent hunt for unmarketed values, to be offered, when found, at fancy prices, was of no real benefit to philately but simply a commercial enterprise. Our investment in the stamps mentioned was not, I am afraid, made for the sake of their philatelic value as the results of an interesting experiment in the government printing office, but rather with an eye to a probable future rise in their commercial values.

In our examination of the most common stamps, we are liable to meet with minor varieties. These varieties are either caused by defects in the plates or by defects in the printing. In the former case the particular cut which made the stamp impression can be located on the plate, and on every sheet printed from that plate the defective stamp is liable to be found. Such a defect, or "error," as we delight to call it, is of philatelic interest, and will have its place in a specialized catalogue of major and minor varieties. As an example of a defective plate variety I may mention the little circles found on three of the stamps on sheets of the Hudson-Fulton 2c, printed from plate No. 5394. If I remember right, these varieties were discovered by that earnest student of U. S. modern issues, Mr. C. R. Morris of Washington, D. C.

Defects caused in the printing by blotches or streaks of ink, or flaws in the paper are never found repeated in exactly the same way and are of little or no philatelic value. To search sheets or large quantities of current 1c and 2c stamps for such "freak" varieties is an interesting philatelic pastime play, and the results, mounted on an album page, are liable to interest the non-philatelic visitor more than anything else you may have in your album. To the tyro, a one cent stamp with two broad, white streaks across the stamp, caused by unfolded creases in the paper, will look far more remarkable than the experimental paper variety which cost you dollars. George Washington with a big carbuncle on his neck, and Benjamin Franklin with a black eye, are amongst the abnormalities I have found and they serve as star attractions on my vaudeville pages. Irregularities in, and the misplacing of the perforations, will also furnish items for your side show, but these, I am sorry to say, are very common "varieties." If you specialize a certain issue, I consider that anything out of the ordinary, any freak or curiosity having connection with that issue, deserves place on your album pages, but it should be distinctly separated from the purely philatelic varieties.

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THE SO-CALLED REISSUES OR REPRINTS OF THE 5c AND 13c HAWAII 1853 TYPE.

By Henry J. Crocker, F. R. P. S.

(This article is an illustration of what the Weekly can do in the speedy publication of copy. This article was in type ten days after receipt and though containing approximately 6000 words we have used it in two issues without crippling our other news features. It would take the *Philatelic Record* six months to publish this article, to say nothing of the time necessary to make a beginning. Our readers will appreciate the thoroughness of Mr. Crocker's work as evidenced in this contribution to Hawaiian philatelic literature.—Ed.)

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Nor does the Major's further remark help his position any. The two-cent stamps perforated and engraved were in actual use when Brickwood succeeded Kalakaua, and he therefore did not receive any stamps from the National Bank-note Company until April or May, 1866; so that his suggestion that they might be the order placed by Brickwood in April, 1865, and received August 31st, 1865, falls flat to the ground, the evidence being that the order took sixty-four days to reach the engraver (June 22nd and it was a physical impossibility for them to be engraved, printed and reach Honolulu in sixty-five days. (August 31st).

Further on he asks if it was a Boston Package that Brickwood was still troubling about. He shows Brickwood did not know where it came from, it evidently was a package that he did not have anything to do with, except to pay the costs; so of a necessity, it must have been the order contracted for by his predecessor, Kalakaua, and mentioned in his official letter to Postmaster Coney. Further along Major Evans quotes that "neither Thrum nor Giffard were able to date the receipt of the plates further back than 1867," and yet we have the evidence of Giffard and others that the plates were regularly received in 1867, and the remaining stock of both stamps laid in Honolulu for several years; that they were not ordered by Brickwood, and he told Giffard he never ordered any of that type. Giffard told me in 1909 that he had never heard the stamps called "reprints" until he read my book defending them from that imputation.

Brickwood did not know where the 1853 plates were made or located; he could not order any stamps direct from the Whitney plates unless he had purchased them for the Postoffice. The "last package" is distinctly a Whitney order, and we ask Major Evans what became of it if it was not laid away for several years, for he proves by Hanciau it was not from the National Bank-note Company and his supposed order of 1868 would not fit in at this time.

Kenyon gives the date of the Kalakaua order as November 30th, 1864, and Major Evans states that the evidence offered is manifestly impossible and that he would not refer to it if it were not that it appears to have stuck in the mind of Mr. Crocker. My answer is, That Kalakaua placed an order for these stamps in the United States prior to February 1865 as we have his and Irwin's letters to show for it; that he had issued a provisional stamp while awaiting them; that all data shows the order was dated about November 30th, 1864, and they have always been catalogued as issued in 1864. Furthermore, there was no other five-cent plate in existence from which he could issue a fresh supply, and we have the most conclusive evidence that for several months in 1864 there was good reason in the mind of Postmaster Kalakaua why the thirteen-cent stamps could be used; hence, his order for the two stamps in 1864 and their natural retention by Brickwood, his successor. We are agreed that stamps and plates came together. We must remember that no local authority had ever been able to account for the issuance of the numeral five-cent issued at this time, and that for nearly thirty years the succeeding five-cent numeral issued by Brickwood was branded as a fake. It was M. Hanciau who produced the Irwin letters in 1900, which set us on the right track, the Postoffice records of these orders having been destroyed as shown by the *Monthly Journal* of 1895, so that Thrum, Giffard and others were only able to theorize on them.

Speaking of the last package ordered by H. M. Whitney, Major Evans says: "Surely it is evident that 'the last package' referred to, was one from the same source, no doubt the supply of two-cent and five-cent stamps which were ordered from the National Bank-note Company in April, 1865, and which, according to Mr. Crocker, did not reach Hawaii until some twelve months later." Why 'surely' when Major Evans himself mentions that Brickwood had probably received a package from the same source (National Bank-note Company) without extra charge; and why 'according to Mr. Crocker; when every authority excepting Major Evans, including Hanciau for whom he stands sponsor, admits and believes that Brickwood did not receive any package from the National Bank-note Company, excepting his order of April 26th, 1865, received in 1866.

The order Evans mentions, of the five-cent and two-cent made by Brickwood on April 26th, 1865, is the last ground Major Evans has to stand on. In the first place, the two-cent stamp he mentions was already in use, having been ordered in 1863, issued June of the following year. The second order was made on April 26th, 1865, and arrived in April or May, 1866. The five-cent stamp in this last order was the first order for the engraved and perforated stamps which succeeded the old 1853 type, and its first appearance in Hawaii was the latter date. Brickwood's order (like Kalakaua's) was explicit so no correspondence was necessary as it went nearly direct to the engravers.

Major Evans is asked by the philatelists: "Why did Brickwood resort to the use of a two-cent numeral in 1865? Why did he resort to another provisional five-cent (type set) printed in Honolulu in 1865-66 and following the five-cent numeral provisional that his predecessor Kalakaua had placed in use in 1864-65 if he was not daily waiting for these stamps and suppressing the old ones?"

What reasonable explanation is there to offer for this late use of the numeral plates, when according to the evidence of Irwin produced by M. Hanciau, dated February 24th, 1865: "The new two-cent stamps (engraved and perforated in 1864) superceded all other two-cent stamps, and it is now the only two-cent stamp in use; "and further evidence introduced by Evans—that the Government printers printed numerals in 1865?

Here is the statement made by Giffard: "It is a perplexing question why the numeral series should have been printed after the event of either the two-cent "Elua Keneta" in 1862 (1855) or the two-cent dark vermilion of 1864, unless it was because of the Postal department running short of the latter stamps. It is an indisputable fact that such was the case as Mr. Robert Green, and also Mr. J. H. Black, both printers in the Government Printing Office, where these stamps were printed, state that they remember striking off sheets of "numeral stamps as late as 1865 to fill orders for the Postmaster General."

The fact of the matter is that Brickwood's order, as stated by Luff, Hanciau, Giffard and other authorities, was delayed and this caused him to resort to the local plates. That he was daily expecting his stamps to arrive is testified by Giffard, and he naturally would hold back the Kalakaua order received, as is stated, August 31, 1865; such being the case.

Major Evans having clearly proven to his mind that Brickwood had not ordered the stamps up to April, 1868, proceeds in his last article to try and prove that they were ordered after that date. Does he wish to try and prove the plates which Brickwood had destroyed in 1867 or before, were at that late date returned to the United States? It is untenable, to say the least, but he says that this is not altogether a fanciful theory, as shown by notes on the early issues of Hawaii by Walter Giffard, published in the *Monthly Journal* of October and November, 1895. I quote the article he refers to:

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"Under date of August 24th, 1888, Mr. Wundenberg continues upon the subject of restoration of the dies: "I should like to have the three engraved plates I sent you by mail some time since restored, and a few impressions, say 500 of each, two, five and thirteen-cent, forwarded by mail at your earliest convenience."

It is evident that the National Bank-note Company were somewhat loth to fulfill Mr. Wundenberg's order, and that the latter did not receive very satisfactory replies, as he continues his explanation under date of January 14th, 1889, and writes as follows:

"Concerning the three old dies, perhaps I have not been explicit enough, but the fact is, that during a previous administration (A. P. Brickwood's)" (Also incorrect, evidently should be Kalakaua) "the dies in question, instead of being left with yourselves, were sent for with the intention of destroying them. This was only partially done by defacing the five and thirteen-cent, but the two-cent was secreted away and this escaped being defaced, and was only lately recovered by myself. It was during this time that Mr. Whitney, then Postmaster General, made arrangements with you accordingly." (see Whitney's letter above), "but these, not being from the original die, were worthless. What I now wish to know is whether you can restore these three (3) original dies, so as to furnish prints from them, the same as the original series. I have also found circular dies of the five and thirteen-cent, of exactly the same cut as in the flat plates previously sent you, and not knowing but these may be necessary, or of use, to you in reproducing these dies, I send them to you under separate cover.

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The National Bank-note Company, finally, under date of March 19th, 1889, or fifteen months after the Postmaster's first application for the restoration of the dies, wrote the Postmaster General that the two-cent die could be used, and a new plate made for the same. Also that the five and thirteen-cent dies could be restored, and new plates made. That the rolls of the five and thirteen cent plates had been defaced, and were worthless for use. The Company further stated, in answer to Mr. Wundenberg's inquiries that "the two-cent stamp made by us in 1885 was engraved new on steel. It was a copy of an old stamp sent us at that time."

Postmaster General Wundenberg thereupon wrote on April 12, 1889, as follows:—

"Acknowledging receipt of your favor of the 19th of March, I thank you for information regarding the dies, etc., etc. While I am very anxious to have these dies made perfect, it must be with the distinct understanding that it is simply a restoration of the orignal dies; a complete new set would be simply useless, and must not be attempted. With nothing further to remark, you are hereby authorized to proceed with the work of restoring the dies in question, etc., etc."

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Postmaster Hill having ascertained new plates had been made after these stamps had been on regular sale for nearly two years, had the balance on hand surcharged "Reprints" and continued the sale of them.

There are two insinuations in Major Evans' last article that should be cleared.

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EDITORIAL.

Portugal's Colonies—In view of the news that China is disputing with Portugal over the border limits of Macao, a newspaper directs attention to the advisability of Portugal disposing of its distant colonies. It is represented that some of the African colonies, particularly Lourenzo Marques, "the best harbor in South Africa" would be keenly contested for by Germany and Great Britain who hold contiguous territory. The Cape Verde Islands and St. Thomas and Prince Islands are accounted as being of great strategical value and as certain to be in active demand by the great powers. The Portuguese Indies and Macao probably would find willing purchasers in Great Britain and China, respectively. The paper says that the statesmen of the new republic have an enviable opportunity to rid their country of the hampering and distracting influences of faraway colonies for an amount of money that would repair the shattered finances of the nation. For sentimental reasons the colonies adjacent to the home country could be retained, although it is likely that these self-same colonies have "republican" aspirations.

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An Old Notice—In "A New Collection of Poems, relating to States Affairs from Oliver Cromwell to this Present Time," published in London, 1705, we find the following lines in a "satyr" that was written about the year 1685:

"I thought it was in vain to tarry:
But did opine it might be better,
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The first practically-conducted and successful penny post was Dockwra's (and Murray's) Penny Post which was started about 1680 and which while opposed by certain business and religious interests was strongly supported by those who soon realized and appreciated its conveniences. The 17th century reference to the penny post which has been quoted is but one of many probably that appeared in the publications and pamphlets of the times.

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A Regret—We wish to record our sympathy for Charles Stigerwalt of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, the announcement of whose assignment for the benefit of creditors has been heralded broadcast through an Associated Press despatch, in the newspapers, which places his liabilities at forty thousand dollars and assets at approximately the same amount. Mr. Stigerwalt while best known as a numismatist with an extensive holding of coins is a philatelist of standing, who has been a member of the American Philatelic Society for some years. He was in attendance at the Atlantic City convention where many of those to whom his name was familiar had the pleasure of meeting him. For a comparatively long time, Mr. Stigerwalt has been in poor health and to this fact we attribute the misfortune that has overtaken him. Mr. Stigerwalt has a stock of stamps that embraces numbers of some of the more popular stamps, we are told, and the disposal of them would be an event of interest. We have no basis for the expression of the hope that some equitable arrangement will be made with the creditors of Mr. Stigerwalt whereby he may continue in business, his health permitting; we may only wish that circumstances might favor him so that this end would be achieved.

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Government vs. Duveen—The newspaper accounts of the difficulty of Duveen Brothers, "art dealers to American multimillionaires," have necessarily been absorbed by philatelists in consequence of the prominence that has been given the news in the papers. Henry J. Duveen, who spends his time between New York City and London and elsewhere, is one of the great philatelists of the day; and his stamp holdings include some of the greatest of rarities. At one time, at least, he did not neglect United States issues as he had a grand lot of St. Louis provisionals. At the recent Berne exhibition, his impressive collection of Swiss stamps was awarded a gold medal and his valuable Mauritius collection was honored with a silver medal. The result of the trial of the members of the firm will be awaited with unusual interest by philatelists.

Letters from Everywhere—The manager of the foreign division of a Chicago mail-order house, which is said to be the largest in the world, says:

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A "Nasby's" Opinion—We have heard nothing further from our Washington correspondent about changes in color of some of the current set of higher denomination. We notice that a country postmaster expresses himself: "The last change of the 8 cent stamp is a 'dandy,' from a very nice stamp with Lady Washington's profile on it, they have changed to a dirty green which can hardly be distinguished from a one cent stamp. Poor policy, I think."

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THE 2c HAWAII.

Henry J. Crocker in the *London Philatelist.*

In the *London Philatelist* of July, 1910, you published an article on the 2c Hawaii which is slightly incorrect. The list of known copies is as follows, and I would be pleased to hear of any others: —

The Bishop Museum, Honolulu,	1 copy
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H. J. Crocker,	1 "
M. la Renotière,	2 copies

making eleven copies instead of twelve, as per your list.

I am endeavoring to get photographs of all of these and would be pleased to send you copies at the first opportunity.

I think your article will have the effect of putting us in touch with other copies if they exist, which will prove very interesting to the collectors of this country.

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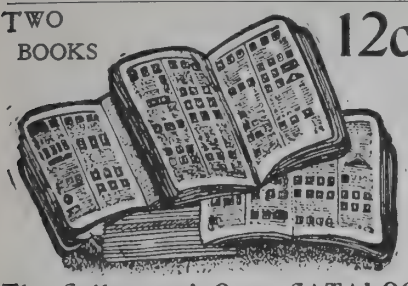

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SO-CALLED REISSUES OR REPRINTS 5c AND 13c HAWAII.

(Continued from page 359.)

suggested by Major Evans; Messrs. Luff, Giffard and Clark confirm this, and in the evidence produced by Mr. Hanciau translated by Major Evans, collectors will readily see the date of issue of these stamps is not 1855, and Mr. Evans should not question it again. The letter says, "In July 1859 the Legislature passed a law requiring a postage. A temporary stamp was then printed" (A sample of which I send) "until engraved ones were made in the United States." (1862?) These are the stamps Major Evans tries to prove were issued in 1855 as claimed by Whitney. He produces the following from Giffard to substantiate his claim.

"In the pamphlet already published, I stated that Mr. H. M. Whitney gave the date of the issue of the lithographed stamps as 1855. Mr. Whitney was postmaster from 1850 to 1856, and still insists that 1855 was the correct date. I have reason to doubt this, however, as no letter bearing this stamp (of which I have seen large numbers) are dated prior to 1862."

I have since purchased the collection of H. M. Whitney and I have the letter sheets on which H. M. Whitney has written "issued in 1855." Every letter is dated after 1862. In any event, Clark ordered the stamps in 1861 and they contained the portrait of a full bearded man (Kam. IV.) who was but nineteen years old in 1855. Proof on the face of it. N'est ce pas?

The other point is that the five-cent perforate and engraved ordered by Brickwood, and placed in the engravers' hands June 22nd, 1865, did not reach the Islands until about May, 1866, as stated by Messrs. Hanciau, Luff and others and confirmed by all data produced to date and proven by the use of a provisional stamp in the meantime.

Kalakaua ordered a five-cent locally printed stamp while awaiting his requisition from the United States, and Brickwood ordered a five-cent provisional plate, also a one-cent and two-cent provisional stamp while awaiting his order placed on April 26th, 1865, for two-cent and five-cent stamps. What other explanation has Major Evans to make for these issues?

Brickwood was the first Postmaster to deal direct with the National Bank-note Company. When he ordered the new five-cent stamp and a second order for the two-cent engraved and perforated, he did not know where the Kalakaua order, which was ordered through Whitney, came from, and this almost proves when taken in connection with his 1867 letters, that he never could have ordered any of these stamps at any time if the plates were destroyed before 1868.

Major Evans states: "The three Boston dies were doubtless sent to Honolulu at the same time, and the three doubtful stamps must stand or fall together." This opens up an entirely new field, and we will look forward with pleasure to his further demonstration of this remarkable theory, as it is one of his most interesting conclusions arrived at so far. Mr. Hanciau knew that the two-cent die which Major Evans claims was sent out with the 1853 plates was not destroyed but was placed in the archives of the Postoffice in 1869.

There is not the slightest question it was not the original 1862 die which is stated to have been found with the original 1853 type plates. When the five-cent and thirteen-cent were issued the two-cent stamp was not issued with them. We hope Major Evans will explain to collectors his statement for it will help us to unravel history of this puzzling stamp which Giffard claims was a regular issue of 1869. There are several theories regarding this.

In my book on Hawaiian Numerals I stated that my researches covered the period from 1851 to 1866 when the use of numerals ceased, and the Government was supposedly getting its regular supply of stamps from the National Bank-note Company.

The receipt of my book was so flattering, I have since made a study of the later issues, which I have published from time to time, and now if Major Evans is going to prove an order for the stamps and the return and destruction of the Whitney plates, by Postmaster Brickwood after April 16th, 1868, I will do all in my power to assist him, but he is clearly wrong in calling the Kalakaua order "Reprints."

In Stanley Gibbons *Monthly*—October 31st, 1895—Giffard makes a statement which seems to prove that Brickwood never ordered any of these 1853 type, but received the stamps ordered by Kalakaua and had them printed "Specimen." He says, "The overprinting was ordered by him, as a matter of fact, so that these issues might become obsolete."

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A CANADIAN POSTMARK ODDITY.

By F. G. Bing.

Some time ago I received a Canadian postage stamp, the 3c red of the 1868–76 issue, bearing a very interesting and unusual postmark. A query on the subject had been inserted in a philatelic contemporary without result, but it was suggested that further enquiries might lead to an explanation of so curious a cancellation.

The stamp had been obliterated with a small thick-lined circle in which appear the words "WAY LETTER" in large type. Eventually a full account of the matter was obtained from the Canadian postal authorities, and the letter received now makes its first appearance in the philatelic press.

"Post Office Dept., Canada.
Office of the Superintendent of the Postage Stamp Branch.
Ottawa, 13th March, 1908.

Dear Sir,—Replying to your enquiry on the subject, as to the object of the post office mark consisting of a rather thick circle in which are the words 'Way Letter' only, impressed upon a Canada postage stamp (3c) similar to the one you enclosed, and which I herewith return, I find on enquiry that previous to the Confederation of the Dominion of Canada in 1867, there was in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick a regulation requiring mail couriers on the coach roads to accept letters for mailing, when these were offered them at a distance of not less than one or two miles from the nearest post office, to place them in a locked leather pouch provided for the purpose, and to post them at the first post office, the Postmaster of which was instructed to stamp these letters with the words 'Way Letter'. After Confederation this postmark lingered at some of the offices in the provinces named, when it was used for general cancellation purposes, if not for its primary purpose. It has now, however, wholly disappeared. Some think it lasted up to 1887 or 1891, but I am sorry I cannot furnish you with a more definite date as to its extinction.

Very truly yours,
E. P. Stanton, Supt."

It will be seen from this interesting letter that the postmark was in the first instance applied to the postage stamps of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and it is quite possible that only upon the stamps of these two provinces does it possess its full original significance. At the same time it does not follow that the regulations under which this cancellation was in use were immediately withdrawn with the Confederation of the Dominion of Canada; and it is more than probable that the custom based upon these regulations of accepting letters from the public at a distance from a post office, and applying the special obliteration, would continue long after that date, as it is evident that the use of the "Way Letter" postmark was never definitely prohibited by the Canadian postal authorities, or the date of its extinction would not have been in doubt. It is, however, quite certain that only a comparatively small number of letters would be entitled to receive this special mark, and its rarity is therefore indisputable. With the publication of this explanation it is quite likely that active search will be made by collectors for further copies of the postmark, and it would be interesting to know with what result. A fairly wide field is offered, as the cancellation may obviously occur upon any of the issues of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and upon the Canadian issues up to and possibly including that of 1888–90. — *Postage Stamp.*

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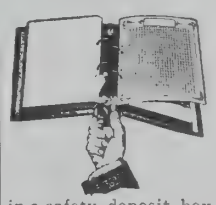

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By Chas. R. Morris.

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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

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Any information regarding new issues will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Address HENRY A. KIDDER, 17 Addison St., Arlington, Mass. Letters calling for a reply should contain a self-addressed, stamped envelope. We cannot give applicants the addresses of our correspondents.

UNITED STATES.—C. F. Alkire has shown us several curiosities, including the current 1c envelope with the stamp half way down the right side, and half on the front and the rest on the back. There is also included a copy of the 2c carmine envelope of 1899, the stamp appearing twice on the lower flap, and not at all on the face. Also, the 2c of 1887, with a thin, colorless line around the top, just outside of Washington's head.

J. H. Wilms has shown us a copy of the current 1c envelope, which has the inner colorless oval line broken opposite Franklin's chin, the line being widened out so as to include a diamond-shaped spot of color.

BAVARIA.—The *Berliner Briefmarken Zeitung* reports that it is proposed to issue a commemorative series, upon the occasion of the 90th anniversary of the birth of Prince-Regent Luitpold, and the 25th year of his regency. The stamps will bear the portrait of the Prince.

BELGIUM.—A new series of stamps, with the portrait of King Albert I is now being prepared, the engraving being confided to M. Peunens of Antwerp.

COLOMBIA.—*Lemaire's Journal* chronicles the peso values of the new set, the design being similar to the centavo values, though with pictures instead of portraits. The 1 peso represents an historical scene, the inscription reading "Imploro la confirmation de la libertad absoluta de los esclavos", which freely translated reads, "I ask the confirmation of the absolute liberty of the slaves". The 10 peso is also historical in character, the inscription reading, "Cambiadme, senor, todos mis titulos por el de buen ciudadano", or freely translated, "I would exchange, sir, all my titles for that of good citizens."

Adhesives.

1p violet.
10p carmine.

Medellin.—Two jubilee stamps have been issued for Medellin, dated "1810–1910", and printed in four colors. The distinctive feature is a flag draped across the design.

Adhesives.

50c lilac brown, yellow, blue and red.
1p dark green, yellow, blue and red.

LEEWARD ISLANDS.—*Champion's Bulletin* notes the issue of two stamps in the new universal colors.

Adhesives.

3d violet on yellow.
5sh carmine and green on yellow.

MACAO.—*Gibbons Weekly* says the bisected provisionals noted in No. 1033 were made to deal with a shortage of 1 and 2 avos stamps, the 3 avos being used for 1 avo and the 6 avos for 2 avos. They were only in use for about two weeks. It is expected that a further surcharging of various values will shortly take place for the purpose of using up old stamps, after which there will be a regular new issue.

MAURITIUS.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 1r, 2.50r, 5r and 10r stamps recently noted. All are on multiple chalky paper.

MEXICO.—The new cards are just received from Mr. Schachne. No change except that the arms in the stamp give place to the head of Hidalgo to left.

Post Cards.

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2c green on buff.

Letter Card.

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NEW SOUTH WALES.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 2d in a new shade and on new paper, though still on chalky paper.

NEW ZEALAND.—N. Cobe calls our attention to the fact that the 2½d and 4d stamps in the current set are on thinner paper, and with a different perforation, the holes being smaller and not clean cut.

PORTUGAL.—*Champion's Bulletin* chronicles a new printing of the stamp for "Civilian Rifle Clubs" in blue and brown.

ST. HELENA.—*Ewen's Weekly* says: "The 1d value of the King Edward VII series has long been out of issue and about June of this year was followed by the 2½d. We now understand that the other values are running short. On July 12 only the following were left in stock at St. Helena: 4d, 3 sheets; 6d, 14 sheets; 10sh, 15 sheets. Of the 2½d now out of issue, only 8,160 were printed and it bids fair to become quite a good stamp."

ST. LUCIA.—*Champion's Bulletin* chronicles the 6d issued in the new colors.

Adhesive.

6d lilac.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 5sh in pink, with large "Postage" and perforated 12½.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—N. Cobe has now shown us used copies of the 5c orange stamp, chronicled some time since from specimen copies.

Gibbons Weekly says: "Two correspondents at Singapore have kindly sent us letters the stamps on which bear a special postmark, used, we understand, for four days only at an exhibition held there from the 17th to the 20th of August. It does not appear to us to possess much *philatelic* interest as it is inscribed 'Agri-Horticultural Show', but it might have been worse—there might have been an 'Angry Haughty Commemorative Stamp' of some kind, which we should have had to chronicle, and which some of our readers would have had to collect."

SWEDEN.—A new official stamp has been issued, the design being illustrated and stamp chronicled by *Gibbons Weekly*. The design, which is a slight, though very slight, improvement over that of the 4 ore postage stamp recently issued, is by O. Hjartsberg, and the stamps were pypographed by Yahab Bagge of Stockholm. Two other values to follow shortly, though whether they are to be of the same design is not yet known. The stamps are printed on white paper, and perforated 13.

Official Adhesives.

5 ore green.
10 ore carmine.
30 ore brown.

SWITZERLAND.—We find that an error was made in No. 1031, in regard to the the new postage due stamps; the missing values are the 3c and 15c and not the 2c and 15c. The New England Stamp Co. has now shown us the missing values.

Postage Due Adhesives.

3c blue green and red.
15c blue green and red.

TRANSVAAL.—*Gibbons Weekly* reports the 6d on ordinary multiple paper.

URUGUAY.—According to *Gibbons Weekly* several of the current stamps have been overprinted "Oficial—1910", the first line being curved. There appears to have been some mistake about the item in No. 1032. *Gibbons* says the surcharge on the 5c and 10c values is in red, the others being in black.

Official Adhesives.

2c vermilion.
5c blue green.
10c dull lilac.
20c blue green.
25c brown.
50c rose.

VICTORIA.—The 9d has been issued in a new shade, an unused copy having been shown us by the New England Stamp Co.

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WHAT IS A REPRINT?

This seems a simple question, and one which, at first sight, looks as though it might be answered off-hand by any stamp collector. Recent events have proved, however, not only that it is most difficult to give a correct definition of a reprint, but that it is important that an authoritative pronouncement should be made.

The subject was one of those discussed at the Philatelic Congress held last year at Gössnitz, when the following definition was formulated and approved by the delegated wisdom of German Philatelists:

"By *Neudrucke* (reprints) is meant impressions of stamps which have become obsolete, made from the same dies as the 'originals.'

"Impressions made for particular reasons, at a later date than the normal issues, of stamps still current or not demonetized, should be called *Sonders-ausgabe* (special issues)."

Now the essence of a definition is that it should be comprehensive enough to embrace all genuine claimants to a title and yet precise enough to exclude all pretenders; this Gössnitz effort is neither. The first paragraph should expressly state that the impressions must be made *after* the stamps have been withdrawn from use; this meaning is clearly inferred, but no true definition leaves anything to inference. The second paragraph points to such an issue as the United States 1869 series without grill, which was reprinted and issued in the ordinary way, but from the wording it might embrace all other kinds of reprints and does not exclude forgeries. Surely every forgery and every reprint is an impression made for a particular reason?

Another German definition, which we take from the "Normal Catalogue," is very much more to the point and, indeed, appears to admit of very little criticism. It is as follows:—

"Reprints are all prints of a stamp in any colour which have been produced from genuine dies either by an authority (Official Reprints) or by a private individual (Private Reprints), after a new design which is exclusively used for the printing of stamps has been accepted for postal use, and the old one definitively discarded.

"It is not necessary for the original stamp to have been demonetized, for some reprints, *e. g.*, France, Marshall Island, Prussia, U. S. A., etc., were available for postage until the demonetization of the originals, and therefore occur with genuine cancellations.

"By Nachdrucke (after-prints) are understood alleged reprints for the printing of which altered (counterfeited) dies have been utilized."

The first paragraph of the above would be more explicit if it read "produced from genuine *unaltered* dies," the insertion of the word "unaltered" is necessary in view of what is contained in the third paragraph.

The second paragraph contains one error. As was recently pointed out by the Editor of *Le Postillon*, it is a popular delusion to suppose that French reprints are allowed to be used for postal purposes; it is only by the inadvertence or the ignorance of the employées that they sometimes pass through the post.

The last paragraph in the above definition errs in not expressly stating that they must be the *original* dies which are altered. As it stands, *Nachdruck* might be synonymous with a forgery made by a private individual.

It will be noticed that, in both the definitions we have cited, the word "dies" has been used instead of "plates." This has been done designedly, as some reprints have been made which were not from the original printing plates (these having been destroyed) but from plates or stones which were made, expressly for the purpose of the reprints, from the original dies. Instances of this process are supplied by the first issue of Samoa, the 1867-68 issue of Roman States, Heligoland, and many others. Such reprints, even when made from dies which have not been altered, ought to be differentiated in some way from true reprints, which are from the identical plates which produced the originals.

There are many instances of "after-prints" (*Nachdrucke*) differing in the degree of alteration to which the original die has been subjected, in some cases very trivial alterations have been made while in others the tinkering has been very material. In the case of the Antioquia stamps of 1868 the original engraved dies had been defaced by diagonal lines cut into them. Efforts were made to remedy this defect, but with very moderate success, and traces of the disfigurement can always be seen on the reprints, which were printed from new stones constructed from the more or less renovated dies.

There is another kind of label which often masquerades as a reprint, we refer to the official imitations which have been resorted to by several Governments when neither the plate nor the original die has been available. The best known examples of this are the official imitations of Alsace-Lorraine and the first issue of Sirmoor. These latter were designed from an illustration in a dealer's catalogue and showed the indentations of the perforations all round. Such imitations are excluded by the terms of the definition which we have quoted above.

We will close our remarks with the best definition of a true reprint which we have yet come across. This was written many years ago by Major Evans in *Stanley Gibbons' Monthly Journal* and reads as follows:

"Impressions from the original plates, blocks, or stones, from which stamps were printed, taken after the issue of the stamps had ceased; impressions, that is printed not for use as stamps, but as specimens or curiosities, for sale to collectors or otherwise. A reprint, strictly speaking, should be from the identical plate, etc., from which the stamps were printed; but in the case of lithographed stamps, the original matrix of which was an engraved die, fresh stones have in some cases been constructed from that die, and such philatelic value as the reprints might have possessed has thereby been destroyed."—*Philatelic Journal of Great Britain.*

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1898, *Vasco da Gama, Nos. 93-100, o.g.	..	1.00
Barbados 1892, *1f to 2sh 6d, o. g., fine	..	1.75
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1897, *1f to 2sh 6d, o. g	..	5.25
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Bechuanaland 1892, *1 to 1sh, o. g	..	.80
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Br. Cen. Africa '97, *1, 2, 4, 6, 1sh, o.g., fine	..	.95
1901, *1, 4, 6p, o. g., fine	..	.75
Br. Guiana 1863, 1, 2, 4, 8, 12c, good aver.	4.50	1.65
1882, 1 and 2c ship, 1 and 2c bark	6.00	2.50
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Soudan 1898, *1m to 10pi, o. g., fine	..	1.75
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1898, *¼ to 1sh, o. g	..	1.50
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New Brunswick 1860, *1, 2, 5, 10, 12½, 17c	..	.65
New Foundland *1, 6, 1sh lake, o. g	..	1.00
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" same used	..	2.10
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1893, *½ to 1sh, o. g	..	3.75
1894, ½ to 1sh, o. g	..	1.45
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Some of the members have remitted to the treasurer in full for their dues for the current year and in addition a sum sufficient for the *American Philatelist* for the same period, but without specific instructions as to this additional amount. It is assumed that the intent was to have their names entered as subscribers to the Journal; but the Postal regulations require an individual subscription in every instance. Therefore, the treasurer has been instructed to obtain from such members a distinct order in the matter, which will be done by his sending out a special letter and form to those to whom it may concern.

Notwithstanding various public speculations to the contrary, it by no means follows that second class postal rates will not be eventually secured for the *American Philatelist;* and those to whom the notice referred to is sent, by giving it courteous and prompt attention will materially aid the pending application and thereby serve both the society and treasurer.

Oct. 14, 1910. H. N. MUDGE, Pres.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING OCT. 15, 1910.

APPLICATIONS PENDING.

Nixon, Percy G.
Sherman, Frank A.
Christie, Chas. M.
Hardy, Jr., W. F.
Seagrave, Herman B.
Jones, B. Gordon
Kuppers, Paul
Page, Robt. H.
Petsche, B. W.
Dod, Wm. S.
Campbell, H. G.
Jot, Peter O.
Dunlap, T. R.

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Moore, Robt. R., 211 Commerce Bldg., Kansas City, Mo.; age 24; Loan Dept. with Groves Bros. R. E. & Mtg. Co. Kansas City. Reference: Groves Bros. R. E. & Mtg. Co., Kansas City. Proposed by Frank Bescher, No. 278.

Renaut, Theo Louis, 2427 Christian St., Philadelphia, Pa.; age 56; Wool Dealer. References: John W. Haseltine, Phila.; Dr. Mitchell, Berwyn, Pa. Proposed by Percy McG. Mann, No. 3202.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3874. Dosch, Jr., Chas. F., Columbus, O.
3875. Cramer, Chris L., Chicago, Ill.
3876. Leland, Ralph Marshall, Weston, W. Va.
3877. Appleyard, Frank, New York City.
3878. Grant, Jas. G., Akron, Ohio.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

1836. Griffith, F. B., Jr., from 550 Ellicott Square to 32 Redjacket Parkway, Buffalo, N. Y.
3730. Fanning, Geo. W., 2nd, from 25 Broad St. to 48 Broad St., N. Y. City.
2715. Lyons, Milton P., Jr., from Philadelphia, Pa., to 920 Haddon Ave., Collingswood, N. J.
2862. Giraud, Madame S., from Rue de Navarre to 74 Rue de Hautoir, Bordeaux-Gironde, France.
3851. Prescott, Frank, from 3921 Page Av. to 2821 Norwood Av., St. Louis, Mo.
1892. Mayer, Louis, from 2332 8th St. to Alcott Station, R. F. D. No. 4, Box 145, Denver, Colo.

RESIGNATIONS ACCEPTED.

3440. Raymond, F. C., London, Canada.
2567. Montgomery, F. S., Shepard, Ohio.
2614. Fowlie, Alexander, Leadville, Colo.
1839. Pettibone, H. W., Minneapolis, Minn.
2881. Forbes, Z. R., Brookline, Mass.
2535. Mattern, Edwin L., Pittsburgh, Pa.
2956. Keller, Dr. S., Milwaukee, Wis.
3347. Semans, Dr. H. M., Columbus, O.

RESIGNATIONS RECEIVED.

2620. Wheeler, A. W., 4435 Racine Ave., Chicago, Ill.
2523. Smith, Elmer F., Pontoosuc, Ill.
2578. Hess, Raymond P., Meriden, Ct.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY.

Total membership Oct. 8, 1910,	1757
New stockholders,	5
	1762
Resignations accepted,	8
Total membership Oct. 15, 1910,	1754

NOTICE.

The attention of all members is drawn to the necessary delay in mailing out membership cards for the current year, occasioned by the tardiness of the engravers in finishing the cards and also the time taken in adopting a new form of application blank. It will save the secretary much time if members will refrain from making inquiry as to when they may expect their cards, as an additional delay of two weeks now seems necessary, but it is hoped to have all cards in the mail not later than Nov. 1st.

W. H. BARNUM, Sec.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

We have received from Treas. W. P. Wherry a copy of his Oct. 1 report and quote from the same his summary of balances: —

Summary of Balances

Stock Fund,	$3607.66	
Suspense Account,	27.40	
Insurance Fund,	1460.27	
Exchange Fund,	62.65	
		$5157.98
Less Gen. Fund Deficit,		119.78
Net Total Balance,		$5038.20

Resources

Bonds,	$2612.34
Cash in Bank,	2425.86
Net Total	$5038.20

BRANCH REPORTS.

Buffalo. — The 14th regular meeting was held with five members present. A committee of three was appointed to arrange for a supper to be held on one of the regular meeting nights in the near future.—F. P. JAMES, Acting Sec.

—Hearty congratulations to the Philadelphia Stamp Club on the handsome *Bulletin*, of which Vol. I No. 1 has just appeared. Its twelve pages are crowded with matter of general interest and other stamp societies must "sit up and take notice". E. L. Green is editor and J. A. Steinmetz is associate editor. Address R 25 Drury Bdg., Philadelphia, Pa.

—R. J. Hogg sends us a clipping from the Melbourne *Age*, confirming the news item recently given in our columns announcing the probability of a Commonwealth issue for Australia. The stamps of the several states are to be given the surcharge "Australia" pending the preparation of designs for uniform Commonwealth stamps.

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1876, 50a rose lilac, Official (No. 159)	.60	.24
1901, 25a yellow brown and blue (No. 31)	.50	.19
India 1902, 2r brown and rose, K. H.	.30	.12
Jamaica 1883, 1p blue	.10	.03
* 1885, 6p orange yellow	.30	.18
Malta 1904, 2½p ultra. and violet	.08	.03½
***Montenegro** 1894, 50n ultramarine, mint	.18	.07
1894, Postage Due, 30n blue brown	.12	.04
" " 50n gray green	.20	.07
1895, A of R stamp, 10n (No. 251), unused price	.06	.02
***Natal** 1902, 4p brown and scarlet, mint	.50	.32
***New Brunswick** 1860, 1c red lilac	.25	.10
* 1860, 17c black	.40	.16
***New Caledonia** 1881, 5c on 40c, sur. inverted, mint	.25	.10
Newfoundland 1897, Jubilee, 6c red-brown, fine stamp	.12	.05
New South Wales 1853, 2p blue	.40	.15
1882-8, 5p dark blue green	.10	.04
***Norway** 1906, 30o on 7s brown, mint scarce stamp	.25	.10
***Panama** 1904, A of R stamp, 5c blue, (No. 476)	.10	.03
***Paraguay** 1900, 24c deep blue, mint	.15	.05
***Philippines** 1899, Post. due 1c, claret (No. 450)	.10	.04
* 1899, Post. due 2c claret	.15	.06
1906, 20c orange-br'n (No. 248) "O.B."	?	.10

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There seems to be no explanation available, at least in this city, as to why Uncle Sam behaves in this manner. It is suggested that if he redeemed postage stamps it would be necessary to have a separate department in Washington devoted to this work. Of course, a large, warm, moist man is apt to become a trifle incensed when he discovers that a quantity of his postage stamps have become gummed together in an affectionate conglomeration, and that though he paid spot cash for those stamps he has no recourse. However, if he had invested his money in the regulation stamped envelopes, and these envelopes were mutilated by wrong addresses or in some such manner, he could have the envelopes redeemed for a certain per cent., but not for cash.

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* 70	Tolima 1900, 1c blue	.20	.05
* 72	1900, 5c red	.25	.06
* 1	Congo 1885, 5c green	.08	.04
* 8	1888, 5c green	.05	.03
* 9	" 10c red	.06	.04
* 10	" 25c blue	.10	.08
* 11	" 50c gray	.50	.25
* 18	1894, 1fr lilac	.60	.35
* 20	1895, 5c brown and black	.06	.04
* 21	" 10c blue and black	.06	.04
* 9	Cook Islands 1893, 1d brown	.40	.15
* 15	1893, 1d brown	.25	.10
* 17	" 1½d violet	.12	.06
* 18	" 2d brown	.15	.08
* 21	" 6d violet	.30	.20
* 23a	" 1sh carmine	.85	.40
* 25	1900, ½d blue	.06	.03
* 1	Corea 1885, 5m rose	.50	.20
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* 3	" 25m orange	.04	.03
* 5	" 100m blue and pink	.04	.03
6	1895, 5p green	.06	.03
* 18	1900, 2r gray	.02	.01
19	" 1c green	.04	.03
21	" 3c red	.08	.04
* 3	Costa Rica 1863, ½r blue	.05	.03
* 4	1863, 2r scarlet	.05	.03
* 5	" 4r green	.30	.15
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At the annual banquet and meeting of the Rhode Island Philatelic Society in Providence last February the president made fitting reference to the recent death of Alfred Dawson, who had been identified with the organization from its start and had always been an active worker in its interests. Three charter members of the society, Mr. C. F. Rothfuchs, Mr. W. I. Cox and Mr. W. G. Nightingale, were present at this meeting and all spoke of the work of Mr. Dawson and related incidents of the early days of the association. To Mr. Dawson probably more than to any other one man is due the organization of the society. Early in 1885 he gathered about him several kindred spirits with a hobby for stamp collecting and the society was formally organized February 2 of that year. The founders were J. F. Browning, John B. Calder, Charles G. Calder, W. Irving Cox, Alfred Dawson, Martin S. Fanning, Edward B. Hanes, William G. Nightingale, Charles F. Rothfuchs and George H. Wood.

The early years of the society were prosperous ones. The meetings were held regularly, the officers were faithful in the fulfilment of their duties, and the members were active and energetic in promoting the interests of their organization. In those days stamps did not command the prices which they carry today. When one learns at what low figures valuable stamps were sold twenty-five years ago he is inclined to look with envy upon the collector of long-standing and to realize the tremendous advantage which he had over the modern philatelist. One of the charter members of the Rhode Island society, in his reminiscences of early days, tells of his purchase of the complete United States Treasury set for twenty-five cents. This was the regulation price at that time and plenty were to be had for the money. There are few of us, however, who value our collections so little as to want them to go as cheaply as did that of one of the Rhode Island members in the early days of the society. It was while Mr. George H. Wood was enjoying the good things at one of the annual banquets that a stranger called at his house and asked for Mr. Wood's valuable collection of United States stamps. He said that Mr. Wood wanted it at the meeting. The collection was handed to the stranger and, although energetic search was made, in which the society rendered all possible aid, it was never recovered.

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It is a matter of considerable pride with the members of the Rhode Island society that the organization has never lapsed. Occasionally a meeting has been omitted because of no quorum but this has been a rare occurrence. As one looks through the record books it is not difficult to understand why the interest has been so constant and so well maintained. At frequent intervals all through the years the society has given serious consideration to the question of how it could best continue to hold the interest of its members and attract new ones. Such discussions could have but one result and they have been the key note of the society's successful existence. In 1896 it was proposed to furnish each member in good standing with a subscription to a philatelic paper. During the following four years the *Metropolitan Philatelist* was donated to the members and published the news of the society as the official organ. In 1900 MEKEEL'S WEEKLY was selected as the official journal and was furnished to the members from the society treasury until the ruling of the Post Office Department forbade the publishers to send out subscriptions contracted for in this way. Auctions were a prominent feature of the early meetings. The records show seven auctions held during the year 1894 which included 512 lots of stamps cataloguing at $1126.38. These were disposed of for $606.18. It was customary in those days for a fraction of the proceeds, usually 10%, to go to the treasury of the society. Some of the sales were small, netting only a few dollars, while others, usually those at the annual meetings when the attendance was large, exceeded $200. Auction sales are still a feature at some of our meetings but they do not assume the proportions of the early days. An exchange department was early inaugurated to enable the members to dispose of their duplicates and add to their collections at small expense. The exchange bureau has existed, with occasional periods of inactivity, to the present time and has proven of advantage to the members.

The meetings themselves have been full of interest to the active stamp collector. Here have occurred discussions and the exchange of ideas which have tended to draw the members closer together and to extend the society's sphere of usefulness. Serious questions of philatelic interest have been warmly talked over and acted upon. At the March meeting in 1896 the society gave vigorous attention to a petition which was being advocated in philatelic circles to request the Post Master General to place on sale the Newspaper, Periodical and Postage Due stamps of the United States for the benefit of collectors. During this same year the society was active in promoting the candidacy of Mr. F. F. Olney, one of its members, for the presidency of the American Philatelic Association. Valuable papers have been contributed by the members from time to time at the meetings. Limited space permits the mention of but two or three, which will serve to show another way in which the meetings have been made of interest and help to the members. The records state that at one of the early meetings Mr. Freeman Putney, Jr., prepared and read a paper upon "Some Dangers of Our Pocket Books" which was thoroughly enjoyed. Later Mr. Dawson entertained the society with a paper upon "Native Indian Stamps". Mr. Dawson could speak with authority upon this subject for he had served in the British army at the time of the Sepoy Mutiny and had been an active collector during the campaign. He could emphasize his remarks with some personal experiences at collecting under difficult circumstances. At one of our recent meetings Mr. A. B. Slater, Jr. gave a very valuable contribution which he had prepared upon "Die Varieties of the Current 2c Envelopes."

The society holds from time to time competitive exhibitions for which certificates of reward are issued. These have brought out some splendid displays of stamps. A very interesting feature at our meetings and one which it has been the society's privilege to enjoy often has been the opportunity to examine the fine collections of many of our members. For years it was the custom to meet at the homes of the members where the collections were opened

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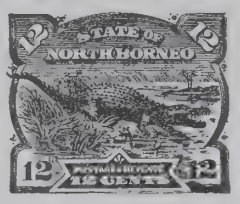

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for inspection after the business meeting. When convenience made it expedient to secure quarters in the downtown section of the city the members continued to bring to the meetings their valuable collections for the enjoyment of those present. There are many of us who had the opportunity upon several occasions to see Mr. Hopkins' remarkable collection of early United States stamps in single specimens, blocks, parts of sheets and full sheets. It was a collection never to be forgotten and never to be duplicated. We have enjoyed the privilege of viewing at close range Mr. Congdon's splendid collection of blocks of four of the United States issue in which the different shades are carefully arranged, and seeing Dr. Welch's carefully prepared array of blocks of United States adhesives, his valuable collection of Match and Medicine stamps, his practically complete record of internal revenues and his full sets of Canal Zones which he has lately acquired. Vice President Webber has delighted the members with his unique collection of original covers. Interesting side lines have been shown at times, not the least of which was Mr. Chambers' recent exhibition of Civil War Envelopes and United States Revenue Stamped Papers. More careful attention to some of the valuable collections in the possession of some of our members is to be given in another article in this issue.

The annual meetings, held in February, at which time officers are elected, are always attended by a banquet and have been brilliant occasions in the philatelic circles of the State. At this time an effort is always made to have some valuable collection shown and an address given by noted philatelists from other sections of the country. These meetings are decidedly popular and well attended. It is necessary to mention the speakers at but few of these meetings to indicate the value and interest which they would bring to the stamp collector. At the annual meeting in 1902 Mr. George C. Capen displayed and discussed a specialized collection of stamps of Greece, said to be the finest in the country. At the 1905 meeting Mr. C. A. Howes showed his stamps of South Africa and the Chinese Treaty Ports. The following year Mr. J. M. Bartels exhibited his noted collection of Philippines and Mr. V. M. Berthold gave a masterful talk upon United States Envelopes, illustrating with his matchless collection. In 1907 Mr. L. L. Green brought us his collection of Hawaiian stamps. Mr. W. H. Colson at one of these meetings showed us some rare United States issued previous to 1847 including the Baltimore, Brattleboro, Millbury, New Haven, St. Louis and Providence Postmasters' stamps. At our last annual meeting Mr. E. G. Sawyer was our guest with his specialized collection of Gambia.

The society is in possession of a considerable library of valuable philatelic literature. For years an alcove in the Providence Public Library was devoted to philately and contained the society's books and pamphlets. A good-sized book case in the society's room contains several works of value and interest. Within a year there has been received from one of the former presidents, Mr. A. B. Slater, Jr., a large collection of rare philatelic literature.

The society has numbered among its members many prominent philatelists whose fame has gone out beyond the bounds of our little state. Mention has already been made of Mr. Frank F. Olney, one time president of the American Philatelic Association and of Alfred Dawson, one of the founders of the society. Mr. John B. Calder, the only stamp dealer in Providence for years, was long identified with the association as an active worker. Mr. E. B. Hanes, later of the firm of Durbin and Hanes, was a charter member, as was also Mr. C. F. Rothfuchs who has recently gone to the Pacific coast, leaving a host of friends and an enviable reputation for square dealing behind him. Among our members was also Percival Parrish, publisher of the *Rhode Island Philatelist*, the only paper ever printed in the state in the interest of philately. A complete set of this publication is on file in the library of the society. Mr. Freeman Putney, Jr., was a member of the organization and a dealer here while in college at Brown. Mr. Sam R. Simmons, Jr. was a former resident of Providence, attending schools and college here, and has always been an interested member of the society.

The presidents of the society, in order of service since its organization, have been John B. Calder (1885), E. B. Hanes (1886-7), Geo. H. Wood (1888), Frank F. Olney (1889), Alfred Dawson (1890-91), H. W. Brown (1892), Geo. H. Wood (1893), A. B. Slater, Jr. (1894), F. E. Newberry (1895-7), W. C. Elliott (1898), Alfred Dawson (1899-1901), Frank M. Mason (1902-4), W. H. Congdon (1905), A. R. Perry (1906), Joseph B. McIntyre (1907-8), Wendell A. Mowry (1909-10). Five different secretaries, Alfred Dawson, John B. Calder, W. Irving Cox, Robert F. Chambers and George C. Arnold have given faithful notices of meetings and jealously guarded the records since the society was founded. Good accounts of the finances have been rendered by Treasurers C. F. Rothfuchs, C. G. Calder, W. C. Elliott and W. Irving Cox, who have succeeded each other in the order named. Mr. Cox has held the office of secretary or treasurer, and sometimes both, for thirteen years. He is the only one of the charter members who has been in constant attendance at the meetings since the organization, and his active interest and ready service have been important factors in promoting the welfare of the association.

The Rhode Island Philatelic Society is the oldest organization of the kind in continual existence in the United States. Its 25th anniversary was fittingly observed in February of this year and it held its 210th regular meeting this month. One hundred seventy-three members have joined the society since its organization and 51 of these are in good standing at the present time.

THE FRANKING PRIVILEGE.

Postmaster-General Proposes to Restrict It and Prevent Its Abuse.

Mr. Hitchcock intends to advocate the substitution of special official stamps and stamped envelopes for the various forms of penalty envelopes now in use in the departments and by members of Congress.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—If the plans of Postmaster-General Hitchcock are carried into effect the abuse of the franking privilege for Government mail may be curtailed. The unrestricted manner in which the franking privilege is now being used has laid it open to serious abuses, according to the Postmaster-General. While it has been impossible without a better control of franking to determine the exact expense to the Government of this practice, officials say it foots up to millions of dollars a year.

Mr. Hitchcock believes that many abuses of the franking system could be prevented and a marked economy effected by supplying through the agencies of the postal service special official envelopes and stamps for the free mail of the Government, all such envelopes to be issued on requisition and such records to be kept of all official stamp supplies as will enable the department to maintain a proper postage account covering the entire volume of the free Government mail.

Mr. Hitchcock has been introducing in the postal service during the last year methods of cost keeping similar to those employed in modern business establishments. He says that nothing has so impeded the fulfilment of his plans in this regard as the impossibility of determining with exactness how far the various expenses of the postal service are increased by the present unrestricted use of the franking privilege. He is confident that the introduction of a more exact method of dealing with this problem as proposed will prove to be of advantage in the work of placing the postal service on a strictly businesslike basis.

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Recently it has devolved upon Mr. F. M. Mason to uphold the dignity of the city from the dealing standpoint, and his advertisements have been seen in our paper from week to week. Mr. Mason has been a very active member of the R. I. Philatelic Society, having served in various positions of trust, and occupying the presidency of the society in 1902-3-4. A great deal of the success attending the annual jollifications in recent years has been due to Mr. Mason's enthusiasm and energy.

The writer counts it a privilege to number Mr. Mason as one of his friends and feels sure that so long as he is spared to serve the city, philately in Providence will have an earnest advocate.

FRANK M. MASON.

In a recent letter Mr. Mason wrote:—

"As I look back to the time when I first began to collect I realize what an influence one may exert by showing his stamps whenever there is a chance.

When I first joined the R. I. Philatelic Society meetings were being held at the houses of the members. On this particular evening we were being entertained by the late Chas. W. Hopkins, who had at that time what was no doubt the finest collection of U. S. in blocks of four or more in the country.

I had never dreamed of such treasures as he showed us that evening and at an auction held later in the evening I bought my first block, the 1c 1861. Since that time, some thirteen years ago, I have accumulated a *fair* showing of blocks myself.

With the U. S. in single and blocks I have also collected in the same way U. S. colonies, Canada and Newfoundland and at present while not neglecting the foregoing, I am devoting the most of my time to the English colonies."

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Clipping from J. H. HOUSTON.

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The forty-eight post offices at which the banks are to be established have been selected, after careful investigation by the officers of the Post Office Department, with a view to making the first test of the service as thorough as possible under the limited appropriation, provided by Congress.

In their selection it has been the purpose to choose communities in which the conditions are exceptionally favorable for the development of a postal savings business. Most of the places on the list are industrial centers, where wage earners will be especially benefited by the kind of banking facilities afforded.

A large patronage of the service is expected from foreign-born Americans in those cities who are now remitting considerable sums to their native countries, usually in the form of money orders. Many of the places selected, particularly those in the west, are not adequately provided with other savings institutions.

The work of furnishing the necessary equipment to the post offices selected and having the postmasters and their assistants thoroughly instructed in the operation of the system will probably consume several weeks, but every effort will be made to have the designated offices ready to receive deposits at the earliest feasible date. It is probable that the plans devised for the new postal savings system will be given at least a month's trial in the original forty-eight offices before others are added to the list, although it is expected that the number of offices will be largely increased before the end of the current fiscal year.

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Our R. I. Special—We dedicate this issue of MEKEEL'S WEEKLY to that splendid group of working philatelists known as the Rhode Island Philatelic Society. The city of Providence, where it is located, is rich in its philatelic history and the names it has inscribed on the pages of philately are written there in indelible characters. To President Mowry, dealer Mason and the coterie of earnest workers associated with them we make our profoundest obeisance.

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A Fine Article—We can readily imagine that in the year 1871, philatelic editors lingered with laudatory comment over the signal attention that postage stamps received in the columns of an important periodical publication in the month of October of that year. *Harper's New Monthly Magazine*, October, 1871, contained an article, "Postage Stamps and Their Origin," by James M. Chute, that extended over ten pages and was illustrated by ninety-nine wood cuts of stamps, made excellently and clearly printed. Then, as now, *Harper's* was a leading literary magazine and Mr. Chute's article in that publication endowed postage stamps with a dignity that must have exerted a quickening and beneficial effect on philately. Mr. Chute who was in the foremost ranks as a philatelic writer in 1871, was an author who worked assiduously, as the stamp papers before and after that year testify; he is well remembered by a former generation of philatelists. In 1871, philately in this country was not wholly disorganized by any means. There were numerous stamp papers in existence and pamphlets, price-lists and albums were produced in a number that demonstrated that the pursuit was on a foundation that was firmly grounded. New York had its philatelic society and there were a few other philatelic "centers", the most important of which was Boston.

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Not Philatelic Enough—Mr. Chute's article very appropriately was embellished with a fac-simile of the Mulready envelope as a head-piece over the two column page. The writer told of the preliminary conditions that had their fruition in the invention of Sir Rowland Hill. In the course of the article, the stamps of a majority of the countries that had adopted the convenience of stamps are referred to and a wealth of historical information about the different issues is revealed and forms a worthy setting for the illustrations. The one criticism that may be made is that nothing is said about stamp collecting or philately and that, in consequence, postage stamps are exploited alone for their suggestions and not for their possibilities as the basis for an ideal recreative pursuit. Perhaps, Mr. Chute was guided by editorial advice in this particular as it is not improbable that the editor of *Harper's Magazine* was unsentimental enough, from the philatelic view, to discourage any attempt to recommend postage stamps in their superiority as objects of collection.

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Samples—Ten illustrations of United States stamps, 1847 to 1869, inclusive, are shown and the five-cent newspaper stamp, 1865, is reproduced in its original size. Mr. Chute said: "The United States has the honor of having used the largest stamps for postal purposes in the world, known as the 'Periodical Stamps' which were used for newspapers carried outside the mails. These were furnished by the National Bank Note Company, of New York City, and were surface printed from steel plates, and not fine line engraving like the letter stamps. The three values—five, ten and twenty-five cents—bear respectively medallion portraits of Washington, Franklin, and Lincoln. They were issued October 1, 1865, and withdrawn in February, 1869, having been used only in Chicago, Illinois, and Milwaukee, Wisconsin. As but few of our readers have probably seen these gems of postal art, we give an engraving of the lowest value." Speaking of our general issues, Mr. Chute said: "The Post-office Department has received the congratulations of several foreign governments upon the beauty and workmanship of this issue of stamps." The 1870 set is under notice. "They undoubtedly are the finest set of stamps in the world, and for delicacy of engraving, symmetry of design, and general contour remain peerless. The portraits upon them are mostly engraved from standard marbles, and are wonderfully truthful in every detail."

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A Good Sign—A correspondent tells us that at the great Paris Exposition of 1867, among the British exhibits, there was one that attracted notice from the public and admiration from the comparatively few philatelists who saw it, as it is to be remembered that in those days, the philatelic world was sparsely settled. As curtains for the large windows in the spacious parlor devoted to the display of the British products, transparent linens were utilized, on which the grandest triumphs of British brains and valor were depicted in heroic size. The chief representation was a memorial to the Penny Post in the shape of a huge reproduction of the famous Mulready design, which may be described as picturing Britannia with the lion at her feet, sending the winged messengers to the four quarters of the globe, where peoples of many kinds and hues await the intelligence. The inscription on the sheer cloth stood forth boldly: "Penny Post, inverted by Sir Rowland Hill, K. C. B. Number of letters in 1839, before the Penny Post, 82,470,596. Number of letters in 1866—597,277,616." The words were repeated in French and German.

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Still in the Past—While dwelling in the past, we may as well make room for an interesting bit of data that evidently has been preserved as a clipping since 1871 and which is submitted by a reader: "When the Japanese empire was opened to the outside world, the first mail from that legendary country was sent to New York in a sailing vessel *via* San Francisco, Panama, and Aspinwall. By a coincidence a mail from China *via* England arrived at the post-office simultaneously, and the written ideas and wishes of these two Oriental nations for the moment reposed side by side. In their route of destination they separated, and made the circuit of the world, to meet again in our great Western city of 'mushroom barbarians.'"

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There is a variation in the stamps, for some of them have the period, following the word cents and some of them are without it. Hidden delivered the plates to Postmaster Sayles, and some sheets of the stamps were printed in an establishment at Turk's Head, the ink being black and the paper, thin and tough, of a yellowish shade that is intensified, of course, with time. Comparatively few of them were sold, and fewer still were used. In fact, for some time after philatelists discovered the stamp, which was not until many years after its issue, it was believed that none had ever been used, but since then old letters with the cancelled stamp still on them have been found, and several are owned in this city. A cancelled stamp is worth about $75, and not more than a dozen are believed to exist; the uncancelled ones are quoted at $5 for the five-cent variety and $30 for the 10-cent stamp in the stamp catalogues. The stamp has been reprinted, the reprints being from the original plates but on a different variety of paper.

Their life in the Post Office was short, the stamps and the plate, done up in a bundle together were taken with him as his personal property by Postmaster Sayles when he left the Post Office, and the bundle was carelessly thrown aside in his office. There they remained for some years, until one day his nephew, the late Lycurgus Sayles, afterward a well-known member of the Rhode Island bar, happened to see them on a visit to the office. He made some remark about them, and the Postmaster gave him the plate and what stamps he had on hand. Mr. Sayles took them home, and in the course of time forgot about them. In the meantime the increase of stamps started the stamp-collecting fad, the Rhode Island Philatelic Society was formed and the existence of the old stamps was discovered. The society finally appointed Alfred Dawson and George H. Wood of the once well-known house furnishing firm of Warren & Wood of this city, both enthusiastic collectors, a committee to find the plate of these stamps if possible. They searched through the old State House on North Main Street, in the belief that the plate might be among the things stored there; they hunted through the collections of the Rhode Island Historical Society, following out a story that Engraver Hidden, who, with Postmaster Sayles, passed away long ago, had given the plate to the society, but they found nothing, although they even searched through files of old newspapers and took other means of carrying on the search. Then one day a collector happened to show to Lycurgus Sayles one of the Providence stamps.

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A number of useful tables are found at the beginning of the book—a dictionary of philatelic terms, table of colonies, protectorates and foreign offices of European States, a key for identifying stamps by inscriptions, devices, etc., table of watermarks and of foreign monies.

The lists of stamps are numbered consecutively for the major varieties, but minor varieties of type, of shade, etc., are sub-lettered, a plan which we think all catalogues will eventually follow. Chronological order is followed save in the case of stamps which obviously belong to one series, though issued at different dates, when they are grouped together. Illustrations of stamps are in three-quarters size, but surcharges are reproduced in full size and as exact as possible.

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KING MANOEL AS A STAMP COLLECTOR.

It is by no means generally known that King Manoel, in common with the monarchs of Great Britain and Spain, is an enthusiastic stamp collector. Such is, however, the case, the specialistic tendencies of the last of the Braganzas lying in the direction of the stamps of Portugal and her Colonies and Brazil, which as an Empire was united with the Portuguese throne. It will be remembered that in the early part of this year he presented a collection of the so-called "King of Spain" reprints of Portugal to the Royal Philatelic Society.—*Postage Stamp.*

THE KING OF SIAM DEAD.

King Chulalongkorn Succeeded by the Crown Prince.

The familiar portrait of King Chulalongkorn on the postage stamps of Siam (indeed this is the only portrait used since stamps were first issued in 1883), must now be displaced by another.

The King died at Bangkok Oct. 23 of blood poisoning. He had suffered for several years from nephritis.

The Crown Prince Chowfa Maha Vajiravudh was immediately proclaimed king. He was born Jan. 8, 1888, and became crown prince Jan. 17, 1895.

King Chulalongkorn, the ruler of Siam, was a most enlightened Asiatic sovereign, who profited by European education and possessed the ideas of a statesman.

He spoke and wrote both English and French and was beloved by his subjects, and by Europeans who knew him, for his amiability and urbanity.

He was born Sept. 20, 1853, the son of King Maka Mongkut, in Bangkok, the capital of Siam, and was educated by an Englishman, Capt. John Bush, and an American woman, Mrs. Leonowness.

The rapid progress of Chulalongkorn in his studies caused his father to appoint him his successor on the throne. The future king passed his youth, according to the custom of his country, in a Buddhist monastery, fulfilling the duties of a monk and at the same time preparing himself for the office he was destined to occupy.

Chulalongkorn assumed the duties of government in 1873 and he displayed in numerous ways the influence of his European civilization.

Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

ITEMS FROM THE ENGLISH PRESS.

By CHAS. E. JENNEY.

The English journals of the latter half of September are naturally much occupied with remarks on the new Stanley Gibbons' catalogue, Part II, just out. In some countries, such as Chile for instance, the cataloguers seem to have gone to extreme depths from which only the charge the publishers make for correctly classifying, would seem to be able to rescue us. While on the other hand, in Japan they are crawfishing into shallower water by eliminating many things before listed and which they have made us believe we possessed.

The October number of the *Stamp Lover* is dedicated to the philatelists of South Africa in honor of the opening of the first Parliament of United South Africa. It is a special number of much interest, the many illustrations attracting close attention. The cover has a fine view of the Victoria Falls.

Herbert Clark has an article on the meagre philatelic literature of South Africa which consists of but two publications.

Guy R. Crouch has a finely illustrated article on the Army Postmarks used during the Boer War, which is particularly appropriate to this number and of historic interest. The extent of the Military Post-office's task is understood by the statement that the army mails from England exceeded in bulk the whole of the mails for the other inhabitants of Cape Colony and Natal, or about 750,000 pieces per week. In view of this fact military postmarks ought not to be scarce in England. The different forms of postmarks bore variations of the legends "Field Post Office, British Army, South Africa," of "Army Post Office, South Africa," or "Natal Field Force." English stamps were of course used, except when no stamps at all were available.

John A. Ornstein follows with an article on the colorless embossed early issues of Natal, stamps rarely seen in the average collection. It is chiefly a compilation without new information, but is plentifully illustrated; owing, however, to the character of the stamps, about the only part distinct is the postmark.

Melville has the latest word about the famous Stock Exchange forged shilling stamp. Plate 6 as well as plate 5 has been found forged and the dated cancellations show a period of their use extending over a year. A curious point that has occurred to us and has not been brought out by Mr. Melville or any other writer is this; the English collector has always maintained a difference between stamps used postally and those used fiscally. Now all these stamps forged were, so far as is known, used on telegrams and are telegraph stamps, not postage stamps. It is true that the Telegraphs had been placed under the control of the Post Office but the stamps used on telegrams do not follow the message as on letters, and their manner of use is distinctly different. Therefore, should one of these forgeries be exhibited in a postage stamp collection?

We are amused at the frankness of an editorial in the *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly* which voices the sentiments of many silent ones. It says "The Australian Commonwealth is humbugging us. For years and years the Commonwealth has been represented to be on the point of producing a uniform issue of postage stamps, but on one plea or another the event has been postponed again and again, and at the present moment we verily believe that we are as far off a uniform series of Australian postage stamps as we ever were."

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OUR RHODE ISLAND PHILATELISTS.

A FEW RANDOM FACTS IN CONNECTION WITH CERTAIN ACTIVE MEMBERS OF THE R. I. SOCIETY.

By WILLARD O. WYLIE.

Wendell A. Mowry, president of the Rhode Island Philatelic Society, was born in North Smithfield, Rhode Island, November 28, 1871. He is of good old Rhode Island stock, being a descendant in the ninth generation from Roger Mowry who settled in Providence shortly after the coming of Roger Williams. Wendall A.Mowry received his early education in the public schools of Woonsocket, R. I. and was graduated from Brown University in 1893. Since that time he has been identified with educational work and for the past twelve years has been superintendent of schools in the city of Central Falls.

Mr. Mowry's interest in philately, like that of most collectors, dates back to school boy days. Like most collectors, too, his interest has waxed and waned, occasional periods of inactivity being always followed by longer periods of active stamp collecting. Mr. Mowry states that he has been obliged to build up his collection gradually and in this very fact he feels that his interest has been more keenly maintained. For the anticipation of adding some rare specimen, followed by the occasional realization of such hopes, is, he believes, quite as satisfactory, as securing a large collection rapidly.

Mr. Mowry's early efforts were devoted to a general collection, but for several years he has given his attention almost exclusively to the issues of the United States. He has a fairly complete collection of the early Internal Revenue stamps, perforate, imperforate and part perforate. He has sought to secure the various issues of envelope stamps, so far as possible, in unused condition. His collection of early United States adhesives is fairly complete in single specimens, while the later issues are shown in unused condition in single stamps and blocks of four. He is also interested in the stamps of the Canadian provinces, of which he has a creditable collection. In securing specimens for his collection, condition has always been made a requisite, and he seeks well-centred copies free from blemish. He became a member of the R. I. Philatelic Society at the annual meeting in 1905 and is serving his second term as president of the society.

Joseph B. McIntyre has been an active member of the Rhode Island Philatelic Society for several years and was president of the organization in 1907 and 1908. He is a graduate of Brown University in the class of 1894. He has been for several years the assistant superintendent of the large Pawtucket plant of the J. & P. Coats Thread Company, from which he resigned a few weeks ago. He is largely interested in several of the leading industries of the State.

Mr. McIntyre's philatelic interests began when he was a boy. He has gathered together a considerable general collection. During recent years he has given his attention almost exclusively to the stamps of the British Colonies. The newer issues he secures complete as they appear and he is constantly improving and adding to his collection of the earlier stamps. He is not satisfied with average specimens and the pages of his collection are well filled with splendid copies of well centred stamps in the finest condition.

One of the splendid workers in the Rhode Island Society is W. Irving Cox, whose services have been freely given for the promotion of its interests. Mr. Cox in his philatelic life has gone through the all too frequent experience of disposing of the boyhood collection and later taking a fresh start.

Mr. Cox can recall paying 25c for his first Treasury set only to lament the amount necessary to replace the same when the collecting fever subsequently came his way.

George C. Arnold, the energetic secretary of the society, holds a unique position in that he is a cross between a coin collector and a philatelist. The fact is, he has a very nice collection of encased

GEO. C. ARNOLD, Secretary.

postage stamps, his thirty varieties ranging from the 1c to 12c values. He is very desirous of having the question settled as to whether the collector of encased postage stamps is a numismatist or a philatelist.

George A. Streeter makes a specialty of U. S., Cuba and Newfoundland and has a fine and growing collection.

A. R. Perry has been collecting for some twenty years and his collection now numbers about 11,000 varieties, mostly British Colonies and U. S. in unused condition. He has the later issues of U. S. in blocks of four. Mr. Perry has a very fine collection of U. S. Revenues. He has Hayti nearly complete and has also specialized in King Edward stamps unused.

John A. Solomon specializes in U. S. and colonies and Great Britain and colonies. Mr. Solomon is known to fame particularly because of his great interest in precancelled stamps, and is firm in his belief that his collection has few superiors. He has written several articles on precancelled stamps and has discovered many varieties. His collection of Providence precancels makes an unusually good showing. Mr. Solomon was one of the founders of the M. P. A. and has held many offices in this and other societies.

Robt. F. Chambers commenced collecting at the tender age of six years and has been at it ever since. At first a general collector, he now limits his field to the United States with a little attention to its colonies and to British North America and France. He has several good things such as a pair of 5c Providence used, on the cover; 1c Pan American invert; and all the general issues of the U. S. in unused condition.

One or two sidelines of Mr. Chambers' are found in stamped revenue paper and Civil War envelopes, having of the latter some 1500 varieties. At present Mr. Chambers is interested in the paper varieties of the current issues, and their machine perforations.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found a half-tone illustration of a beautiful cover upon which is a pair of the famed Providence Local, the property of B. A. Webber of Ashton, R. I., an interested member of the R. I. society. Mr. Webber became an enthusiastic collector in 1884 and has confined himself to the stamps of the United States.

His particular hobby has been the collecting of stamps on the original cover, and a very fine lot has been accumulated, in which U. S. including locals, B. N. A. and Confederates are strongly represented. Mr. Webber's gem is without doubt the horizontal pair of the 5c Providence that we illustrate.

Mr. Webber is interested in the general issues of the Confederate States, pairs and strips, also has a general collection of U. S. Revenues including M. & M. He also dabbles in permits, U. S. cents (practically complete to date), state bank and Confederate bills, old deeds and documents of all kinds. We should think that our friend Webber would be a pretty busy sort of a man.

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ARGENTINE.—*Maury's Collectionneur* says that a new series of stamps is being prepared to take the place of the current commemorative stamps, Jan. 1, 1911. The South American Bank Note Co. has been charged with preparing the new stamps, and will submit designs shortly.

BAHAMAS.—The *Colonial Office Journal* says that the 1d Queen's Staircase stamp is shortly to be issued on multiple paper.

BOLIVIA.—According to *Lemaire's Journal* three commemorative stamps were to be issued for Cochabamba, Sept. 14, 1910; Santa Cruz, Sept. 24, 1910, and Potosi, Nov. 10, 1910. The total number printed was 2,250,000 stamps.

BRAZIL.—The *Berliner Briefmarken Zeitung* reports that a 100r envelope has been added to the current series.

Envelope.

100r scarlet.

COLOMBIA.—The *Metropolitan Philatelist* reports having seen the 2c of the 1904 type, without imprint of printer at the bottom.

CRETE.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 1d carmine and brown, surcharged "Ellas" in blue ink, the type of the surcharge being the same as Scott's No. 58 and 59.

CUBA.—The Toledo Stamp Co. writes us: "Our correspondent in Cuba writes offering 1c Cuba new issue inverted centers. Whether there is anything in it or not we do not know but will wait until we see them."

ERITREA.—*Maury's Collectionneur* says that a new 15c value is being printed in Italy for this Colony, presumably in the design of the 25c, recently issued.

GREAT BRITAIN.—The *London Philatelist* says that the stock of 2d stamps was printed in the new design in magenta, but that with the exception of less than a dozen copies, the whole stock has been destroyed. Collectors need not regret not being able to get copies, as having never been issued they are not entitled to a place in the Catalogue.

GREECE.—*Maury's Collectionneur* says that the new series of stamps is ready, but that none are to be issued until the exhaustion of the old series. Commencing October 1, the tariff on single letters for the interior was reduced from 20 lepta to 10 lepta.

ITALY.—*Maury's Collectionneur* says that a commemorative set of two stamps will be issued next year in honor of the 50th anniversary of Italian Unity and the opening of the first National Parliament at Turin. They will bear the portrait of Cavour, who shares with Garibaldi the honor of creating the Kingdom of Italy.

MALTA.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 5d stamp in the new color, a pale olive. The design is unchanged.

Adhesive.

5d pale olive.

NEW HEBRIDES.—The note regarding the new set of stamps surcharged "New Hebrides—Condominium", in No. 1031, was all right as far as it went, but it omitted to state that the stamps were in the new colors. *Smith's Circular* reprints the following list from the *Berliner Briefmarken-Zeitung*, presumably taken from "specimen" copies. The name "Fiji" is no longer obliterated.

Adhesives.

½d green.
1d carmine.
2d gray.
2½d ultramarine.
5d purple and olive.
6d lilac.
1sh black on green.

PARAGUAY.—According to a local paper, the *Diario*, two new series of stamps have been officially authorized, and presumably are now being prepared. These comprise the issue of a regular set of postage stamps, from 1c to 3p; official stamps from 1c to 2p; postage due stamps from 1c to 1p and post cards of 10c and 25c; and a commemorative set in honor of the centenary of Independence, including 3,000,000 1c stamps, 1,000,000 5c, 500,000 20c, 300,000 50c and 200,000 75c.

PERU.—*Maury's Collectionneur* says that the current 10c stamp has been surcharged "Espresso" diagonally in violet.

Express Letter Adhesive.

10c dark blue.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—The *Colonial Office Journal* says that two new values are to appear in the current set, 21c in the color of the 6d, or lilac, and 45c in the color of the 1sh, or black on green.

Trengganu.—According to the *Colonial Office Journal*, the stamps for this native state have already been printed. They are printed in doubly fugitive inks, and all above the 10c value will be on surfaced paper. The colors are according to the color scheme, the following list being subject to revision when the stamps are actually seen.

Adhesives.

1c green.
3c carmine.
4c orange yellow.
5c gray.
8c ultramarine.
10c lilac on yellow.
20c lilac.
50c black on green.
$1 red and black on blue.

SWITZERLAND.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the tete-beche stamps, recently chronicled. As previously stated these tete-beche stamps are arranged for use in the little stamp books, and thus far have been seen only on the 2c, 5c, 10c and 25c values. Though used only in the stamp books, none of them can be found in the stamp books, as will be explained below. The books are made up of leaves of six stamps, in two horizontal rows of three stamps. These leaves are all bound together at the left, which necessitates leaving a margin of white paper at that place. The sheets as printed contain 90 stamps, the fourth vertical row being left blank though perforated as usual. These ten blank places have large holes punched in them. The sheet is made up as follows: The first three vertical rows of ten stamps are normal, and have the margin of the sheet for binding. The next three vertical rows are also normal, but have the fourth row blank for binding. These three rows of stamps would be the fifth, sixth and seventh vertical rows of a normal sheet. The last three rows, the eighth, ninth and tenth vertical rows, have the stamps inverted, thus bringing the margin on the left as with the others. In making up the books the sheets are cut between the third and fourth vertical rows, and also between the seventh and eighth vertical rows. Thus it follows that no tete beche pairs can appear in the finished books unless the printer makes a mistake in laying the sheets. These sheets are not sold to the public ordinarily, but as a special favor to the philatelists attending the Berne Exhibition, a limited number of sheets were allowed to be sold at that time.

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53	" " 1s carmine	2.00	.30
13	Rhodesia 1891, £2 Rev. cancel'd	15.00	1.10
24	Somali, 0.05c on 75c	.50	.20
28	5c on 40c	.20	.08
30	5c on 30c	.25	.10
546	United States, Postoffice, 1c	.25	.08
547	2c	.25	.07
549	6c	.25	.08
551	12c	1.00	.40
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Cat. No.	* Means unused.	Cat. Price.	Our Price
* 76	Colombia 1876, 20c violet	$3.00	$0.50
77	1876, 10p pink	2.00	.50
* 43	Bolivar 1884, 25c blue	.25	.10
2	Cundinamarca 1870, 10c red	4.00	.75
* 70	Tolima 1900, 1c blue	.20	.05
* 72	1900, 5c red	.25	.06
* 1	Congo 1885, 5c green	.08	.04
* 8	1888, 5c green	.05	.03
* 9	" 10c red	.06	.04
* 10	" 25c blue	.10	.08
* 11	" 50c gray	.50	.25
* 18	1894, 1fr lilac	.60	.35
* 20	1895, 5c brown and black	.06	.04
* 21	" 10c blue and black	.06	.04
* 9	Cook Islands 1893, 1d brown	.40	.15
* 15	1893, 1d brown	.25	.10
* 17	" 1½d violet	.12	.06
* 18	" 2d brown	.15	.08
* 21	" 6d violet	.30	.20
* 23a	" 1sh carmine	.85	.40
* 25	1900, ½d blue	.06	.03
* 1	Corea 1885, 5m rose	.50	.20
* 2	1885, 10m blue	.10	.04
* 3	" 25m orange	.04	.03
* 5	" 100m blue and pink	.04	.03
6	1895, 5p green	.06	.03
* 18	1900, 2r gray	.02	.01
19	" 1c green	.04	.03
21	" 3c red	.08	.04
* 3	Costa Rica 1863, ½r blue	.05	.03
* 4	1863, 2r scarlet	.05	.03
* 5	" 4r green	.30	.15
* 6	" 1p orange	1.00	.40
* 7	" 1 on ½r blue	.25	.10
* 9	" 2½r blue	.10	.05
*221	Official, 10c orange	.75	.25
*223	" 10c "	.30	.10
*223a	" 40c blue	.20	.10

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Meetings first (informal) and third (regular) Tuesdays, Room 322, Tremont Bdg., 7.30 P. M.

Boston, Mass., Oct. 18, 1910.

The 234th (regular) meeting of the society was held this evening at 8 o'clock. 25 members and friends were present.

The following was presented:

Library Committee Report for October.

Since the last report the Library Com. has received the following additions to the library by donation:—Morgenthau's 33rd Sale, priced, and 23 numbers of Redfield's Weekly, from the N. E. Stamp Co., and the current numbers of the following magazines generously donated by the publishers:—Gibbons' Weekly, Mekeel's Weekly, Stamp Journal, Berliner Briefmarken-Zeitung, Postage Stamp, Redfield's Weekly, Attleboro Philatelist, and the Philatelic Journal of Great Britain.

C. K. B. NEVIN,
C. A. HOWES,
Lib. Com.

The following application was posted: Mr. G. Carlton Russell.

The following were elected members:
No. 536. W. T. McQuesten.
No. 537. Henry Ades Fowler.

A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. L. A. Micheloni for a donation of $70 worth of stamps to be sold for the library fund.

It was voted that the House Com. have the society represented on the directory at the main entrance of the building.

Pres. Wylie informed us that the Carnegie Library of Pittsburg, which houses the A. P. S. Library, had purchased a collection of stamps. Also that the high values of U. S. stamps were not after all to be issued on colored paper. Various members were called upon for short talks and responded, and Mr. H. F. King entertained us by interesting reminiscences of finds in Confederate locals and other matters.

Mr. Sawyer exhibited a portion of his collection of entires, Mr. Dunning a part of his general collection, and Mr. Nevin a book of his United States stamps.

C. A. Howes, Sec.

Written for Mekeel's Weekly.

A TENNESSEE STAMP ROOM.

By Miss Hattie R. Stratton.

Knoxville, Tenn. has a unique "Stamp Room", one of the few rooms in the world whose walls are entirely covered with postage stamps. This room is in the home of Richard T. P. McNichols. Stamps to the number of 132,568 have been used in its decorations.

When Mr. McNichols was a small boy his teacher told him that if he would save a million stamps he could send to China and buy a chinese baby and bring it over to this country to be educated. With characteristic zeal he began collecting stamps and soon had quite an accumulation of them. Finding that his teacher had been slightly mistaken regarding the price of Chinese babies, the stamps were laid aside and for years were almost forgotten.

A few years ago, when moving into his new home, Mr. McNichols came across the box of stamps, and it occurred to him to use them in decorating his room. So interested did he, with his mother and brother, become in the work that many more stamps were procured, by gift and purchase, until the entire ceiling and walls of the room were covered with them. In the center of the ceiling is a large star made of one cent U. S. blue stamps. At the end of each ray of the star is a United States flag all in stamps, brown four cent stamps being used for the staff of the flag. Around the wall is a frieze a foot wide, of envelope stamps.

From one to two feet above the baseboard are stamps of different denominations arranged in various designs,—as banner, harp, coat-of-arms, etc.

Over the mantle is a large arch in which is the name McNichols. Within the arch is an open gate,—a symbol of welcome to all who enter the room, and on either side of the mantle is a Confederate flag. All this is done in United States stamps. At one side is a large panel of foreign stamps, the stamps of each country arranged in some design characteristic of the country from which they came. The background of the ceiling and the walls of the room not occupied by the above designs, are entirely covered with U. S. two-cent stamps. The whole work shows a vast amount of painstaking care, ingenuity and taste.

The room itself is a veritable curiosity shop, being filled with curios from all parts of the world, many of them rare and beautiful. Concerning them Mr. McNichols can tell many an interesting tale.

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Small Bargain Offerings

*Indicates unused.	Cat. Price.	Our Price
*Samoa 1899, 4p Prov. Gov't	$0.18	$0.09
Ecuador 1907, 1 sucre green & black	.60	.15
Surinam 1900, 50c on 50c	.50	.20
" 1gl on 1gl	1.00	.40
" 2½gl on 2½gl	1.75	1.00
*Porto Rico, Due, 1c claret	.60	.25
* " " 2c "	.75	.25
*Prince Edw. Islands 1865, 3p blue	.15	.08
Newfoundland 1899, 5c King George	.08	.04
Canada 1908, 20c brown (Quebec)	.35	.17
" 50c purple (King)	.15	.07
Argentine 1898, 30c orange	.08	.03
Brazil 1908, 100c red Don. C.)	.08	.03
Ecuador 1904, 2c blue and black	.10	.03
Peru 1896, 50c rose	.10	.03
China 1898, 20c brown	.10	.03
" " $2.00	1.25	.75
* " 1910, 3c and 7c (the two)	.12	.06
*Zanzibar 1898, 1 anna	.08	.04
* " 2½ annas	.08	.04
*Cuba 1899, 2½c on 2c red	.10	.03
* " 2½c on 2c carmine (223a)	1.00	.30
* " 3c on 3c purple	.15	.07
* " 5c on 5c purple	.15	.08

These stamps will not be supplied to dealers. The offerings are made to collectors who will consent to receive our choice 50% approval sheets for general collections.

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Canada 1852, 6p violet, superb, used	6.00	3.50
*Cypress 1896, 12pi	1.50	.90
*Guam 1899, 15c olive	1.50	.75
* " 50c orange	2.50	1.25
* " $1.00 black	5.00	2.50
* " 10c Spec. Del'y	1.25	.75
Great Britain 1891, £1 green	2.50	1.75
*Gold Coast 1894, 20sh black on red	8.50	5.00
" 1900, 5sh green and lilac	2.00	.95
*Hawaii 1893, 12c, red surcharge	5.00	2.75
Japan 1908, 5 yen green	1.50	.95
" 10 yen purple	3.50	2.15
*New Hebrides 1908, 6p	1.25	.60
* " " 1sh	3.00	1.40
*Niger Coast 1898, 10sh	6.00	3.50
*Philippine Isls. 1899, $2.00, mint	11.00	8.75
* " " $5.00, "	16.00	12.50
* " 1903, $1.00, "	5.00	4.00
* " " $5.00, "	16.00	12.50
*Rhodesia 1901, £1, MINT	7.00	5.00
U. S. 1869, 90c Lincoln, fine color	15.00	8.50
* " Columbian 1892, $5.00, MINT	7.00	5.50
* " 1895, $2.00 dark blue, mint	3.00	2.50
* " Dept. Agriculture 1c, uncan.	3.50	1.45
* " " " 12c, "	8.00	3.90
* " " " 15c, "	3.50	1.45
* " " " 24c, "	5.00	2.25
* " " " 30c, "	5.00	2.30
* " " Executive 3c, "	6.50	3.00
* " " " 6c, "	15.00	7.00
* " " " 10c, "	10.00	4.90
* " " Navy 24c, "	6.50	2.75
" " Justice 15c, red pen strokes	5.00	2.25
" Revenue, 1st Issue, $15 Mort.	6.00	3.00
" " " $25 "	4.00	2.00
" " 2nd Issue, $1.60, very fine	14.00	7.00
" " 1899, $100.00, cut, fine	6.00	3.00
*Western Australia 1903, £1, MINT	7.50	5 75
*Azores 1910, 2½ to 1000 reis, complete set (14 var.), mint	4.83	2.95

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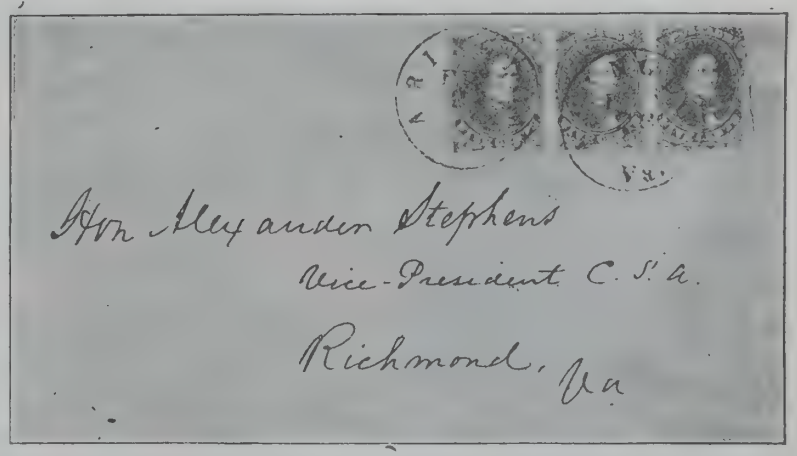

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REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING OCT. 22, 1910.

APPLICATIONS PENDING.

Hardy, Jr., W. F.	Dod, Wm. S.
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Petsche, B. W.	Renaut, Theo L.

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Maxcy, Carroll L., Prof., Williamstown, Mass.; age legal; Professor of English. References: Chas. K. B. Nevin, Boston, Mass., A. P. S. No. 2254; Williamstown National Bank. Proposed by W. O. Wylie, No. 1689.

Stevenson, Fred T., Rev., Lacona, Iowa; age 52; Pastor M. E. Church. References: Farmers & Merchants Bank, Lineville, Iowa; Bank of Lacona, Lacona, Iowa. Proposed by Thos. L. Hosmer, No. 3756.

Hileman, Joseph L., Lieut., U. S. S. Montana, care Postmaster, New York City; age 32; Lieutenant U. S. Navy. Reference: First National Bank of Clifton Forge, Va. Proposed by H. C. Crowell, No. 1570.

Lester, Philip, 19 E. 118th St., New York City, N. Y.; age 33; P. O. Clerk, N. Y. G. P. O. Reference: Model Button Works, 141 W. 20 St., N. Y. City. Proposed by Joseph Stern, No. 3460.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3879. Nixon, Percy G., Cleveland, Ohio.
3880. Sherman, Frank A., Westerly, R. I.
3881. Christie, Chas. M., Kansas City, Mo.

RESIGNATIONS RECEIVED.

2799. Boardway, Earl E., 37 Townsend St., Worcester, Mass.
3152. Moore, Robt., Severance, Idaho.
2892. Jellyman, J., 19 Birchfield Road, Northampton, England.
3124. Burger, Chas. R., 275 W. California St., Pasadena, Calif.
2570. Wichman, H. M., 34 Daytona St., Springfield, Mass.
3441. Henderson, John, Jr., Rochester, N.Y.

RESIGNATIONS ACCEPTED.

3433. Alderman, Justus, McConnellsville, Ohio.
3275. Holmes, L. Seale, M.D., London, Can.
668. Andrieni, J. M., 729 W. 75th St., N. Y. City.
2338. Dickerson, Chas. E., Mt. Hermon, Mass.
3199. Pahl, Chas. A., 507 Union Station, Pittsburgh, Pa.
1961. Parke, Orland M., 5347 Wynnfield Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.
3612. Newton, Frederick W., Saginaw, Mich.
2770. Saxl, B., 401 E. 156th St., N.Y.City.
2546. Halsey, A. E., 612 H. W. Hellman Bldg., Los Angeles, Calif.
3214. Shea, Jas. J., 853 Union St., Schenectady, N. Y.
2941. Zoll, Otto, 90 Haskell Ave., Clinton, Mass.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

1780. Should read "Bultmann, Robt."
3404. Kaye, Jas. H., from Hillsdale, N. J., to 508 Brooks Ave., West New Brighton, Staten Is.
2205. Woolley, Jas. C., from 25 Pemberton Sq., Boston, Mass., to 164 Danforth St., Portland, Me.
2173. Should read Muller Am., Probstgrund 10, Coburg, Germany.
3866. Fuller, Errett S., from Monterey, Mexico, to 205 10th St., Station A, Dallas, Texas.

W. H. BARNUM, Sec.

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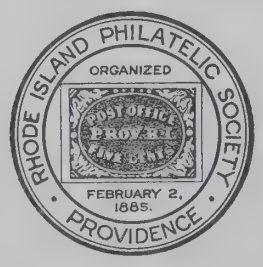

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Meetings held every third Wednesday at Room 4, 63 Washington St., Prov., R. I., at 8 P. M. Address all communications to the Secretary.

PROV., R. I., Oct. 19, 1910.

The 210th regular monthly meeting of the society was held at No. 63 Washington St., Wednesday, at 8.20 p. m., Pres. W. A. Mowry in the chair. Ten members responded to roll call, after which the records were read and approved.

Pres. Mowry reported that the manuscript, etc., prepared by the Historical Committee and himself for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY was in Editor Wylie's hands—and would be published soon, in a special Rhode Island number.

Mr. Webber reported progress, for the new Membership Committee, stating same was being prepared, and the printer's new list would be ready shortly.

Mr. Mason reported that the photograph of the old society group taken July 7, 1896, at Hauterive had been framed. Among the prominent visitors from New York, Boston, etc., were John W. Scott, J. N. Luff, A. W. Batchelder, and Henry Collins, while the local philatelists were out in force, including Frank F. Olney, Chas. W. Hopkins, Geo. H. Wood, C. W. Bowen, Alfred Dawson, J. P. Calder, Walter Blake (the donor of the old photo to the society) and others.

On motion, it was voted that the statement, "Which is sent to all members when dues are paid," in the early part of the printed constitution, under head of official organ, be struck out.

W. C. Polk of Arnolds Mills, R. I., gave an interesting talk on Side Lines. His interpretation of their relation to each other, and to the main lines, held the close attention of all present. He was given a vote of thanks.

Secretary Arnold exhibited encased postage stamps, including denominations 1c to 12c, the metalic frames containing various advertisements of the period.

GEO. C. ARNOLD, Sec.

—"Some time when a U. S. article is in preparation would you ask the writer to touch upon 1847 5c *orange* and 1861 24c *steel blue*? These stamps list $3.00 and $2.50 respectively and I venture to assert that many varieties priced ten or twenty times as much are easier to obtain and better known to collectors. Perhaps there is some question as to their being legitimate shades?"—ELLIOTT PERRY.

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***Porto Rico** 1899, 5c blue	.15	.04
***Rhodesia** 1896, 1sh green and ultramarine	.60	.32
***St. Lucia** 1886, 6p lilac and blue (No. 35a)	.50	.20
* 1886, 1sh lilac and carmine	.50	.30
***Samoa** 1895, 3p on 2p orange (No. 22c)	.50	.18
* 1887, 2p dull yellow (No. 11a)	.12	.04
* " 2p brown orange (No. 11c)	.40	.15
* " 1sh rose	.75	.30
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* " 4p blue	.18	.08
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The meeting was called to order at 8.30 p. m. with 16 members and one visitor present. Application for membership: Dr. Hermann Keidanz, Stuyvesant Hall, 18th St. and 2nd Ave., proposed by Dicke, seconded by Skinner. New members: Elbert H. Gammans, 181 Jorelemon Street, Brooklyn, and J. Saulnier, 240 East 124 St. The *Boys' News* was received with thanks. This being exchange meeting, the entire evening was devoted to the Stamp Bourse and Exchange. Nominations for officers at the next meeting November 3rd.

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OUR ENGLISH LETTER.

BY WM. WARD.

Brisk Business.— Collectors seem to have one object in view,—that of keeping the trade busy. During the late summer season, it has been my great pleasure to meet and spend some evenings in the company of both collectors and dealers from "across", who are over in Europe for the summer trip—business and pleasure—chiefly the latter. From these I have learnt that never in the life of philately have philatelic matters—amateur or professional—been so promising. This is a good sign, and one that must reassure the pessimistic collector who looks solely at the financial side of his collection. The number of philatelists is greater today than it ever was and the greater the number who have interests in anything the greater the security.

"Robinson Crusoe" Stamps.— The stamps of the islands of Juan Fernandez, or at least the Chilian stamps overprinted "Islas de Juan Fernandez" are creating a deal of interest in this country. Of course, every Britisher who is able to read has read the adventures of Robinson Crusoe, the real prototype of a Scotchman, Alexander Selkirk, who was wrecked on the island of Juan Fernandez, and who was immortalized by Daniel Defoe, probably, by the way, the first writer in the world to describe the postal methods of the ancient Spanish American colonies, in his book "Captain Jack". Thus it is readily seen why these stamps have caught on. Owing to a protest of the press, just before his sudden death, the President of Chile ordered the stamp surcharged for use in Juan Fernandez to be sold in Chile as well, in order to prevent speculation on the part of certain high officials. The stamps of Chile so surcharged were the withdrawn 12c and 1 peso of the 1905–8 issue. These stamps had but a short career, as a great quantity were stolen, and in order to prevent their use, the Government withdrew them from use.

South American Provisionals.— One sees many philatelic writers decrying South American provisionals. Actually, these are the most bonafide provisional stamps in the world. Their cause is just. Take the example of Nicaragua. A revolution takes place in some district. Immediately the public buildings are looted and of course the postage stamp stock gets into hands of persons who have never paid face. Thus in order to prevent the use of these stamps by their captors, the government surcharge the stock in safe keeping, and do not recognize further the ordinary issue or values. This is what has actually happened several times in Ecuador, Paraguay, Salvador and Nicaragua. A post office fire will likewise provide need for a provisional issue. So badly is the country connected up by transport—let alone railways—that the issue of provisional stamps is the only course for many postal officials.

Scarcity of British Colonials.—The first multiple watermark issue is proving in many cases to be as hard to get as those with the single watermark. As with the latter, no one ever dreamt of a change in colors, and of course people are now all rushing to complete them, in view of the pending issue with the head of King George. Stamps that have a greater demand than can be supplied by any dealer are the Southern Nigeria 4d, Sierra Leone 4d and 5d, Gold Coast 2½d, Brit. Guiana 6c, Ceylon 25c and 75c, all of which are now obsolete. This is only a few of a great number of hard-to-secure used stamps. This season will see a greater interest than ever displayed in old Colonial stamps, the leading countries being Canada and Provinces, Cape Colony, India, and even to the Australian States. This at any rate is the idea of several well-known English dealers, the size of whose trade makes it possible for them to forecast the situation. Of course old European stamps and those of the United States will remain as popular as heretofore. Curiously, the stamps of Austria will receive a deal of attention, as also those of Russia.

Activity of New Issue Chroniclers.— During 1910 this activity has been greater than ever, for more new issues have made their appearance than any year since 1902. Probably 1911 will run 1910 a close race, for we are told to expect new emissions from all the British Colonies, Portugal, Greece, Argentine, Uruguay (whose new issue is already printed but is not likely to come to view before next year), from Austria and Russia and all the Scandinavian countries, though it seems unlikely that Denmark should change. That long pending issue of Germany

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should be in the catalogues of 1912, as also that of the United States, "new-old" Protectorate of Liberia, and of course the Belgian stamps to be issued on January the first, 1911.

Thefts of Stamps from Letters.—It is with great interest we read of the new United States law, providing a $500 maximum fine, or imprisonment, for the theft of postage stamps off letters in transit. Here in England, we have had the law many years. If any case is actually proven, the extreme penalty is not generally enforced, being a reprimand on the first occasion, and on a subsequent one the offender is instructed to search for fresh pastures.

British Congress.—Of course it has been settled to hold the 1911 Congress at Birmingham, and it is practically arranged that the 1912 Congress will be holden at London again, but this next time will be under the control of the Junior Philatelic Society. Both these Congresses can be expected to be as large affairs as the one this year at London. Whether very much work will be done, does not really matter so long as the attending philatelists have a good and enjoyable holiday. It is now quite generally understood that no proper motions can ever be brought into form by this composite body. Were the British Congresses like the American conventions, something could be successfully done, but the minds of delegates from different societies and different parts of the country work in different ways. One realizes what another does not think worth the trouble. Members from one or two kindred societies will work against proposals or resolutions of another group. The only serious philatelic work that can ever be done to promote and further our hobby is by the philatelic press, and the lay press at large.

No New English Stamps.—Some of the "not so well" informed foreign papers have spread about a report that new ½, 1 and 2p British had been issued. Will collectors please note that no new ½d, 1d or 2d stamps of either King Edward or King George have been issued, and that the latter will not appear until next year! Neither has the 2d stamp been re-engraved—a statement started by an English paper without any foundation whatsoever. The only difference is that the shade of green is a trifle darker from the first printings to 1902, but the cause of this is chiefly on account of now being on chalk-surfaced paper. No re-engraved or re-drawn type has ever been issued, and even those who say that the 2d purple, that the P. O. intended to issue, was ever prepared other than in the proof stage, are all victims of their imaginations. The British Post Office in these days would not have been so wasteful as to destroy plates, let alone printed supplies of a stamp.

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COMMUNICATIONS.

(We do not hold ourselves responsible for the views expressed by our readers. Our columns are always open for communications of general interest.—Ed.)

3c 1861 Envelopes on Orange.

To the Editor:

We enclose clipping taken from the *Philatelic Gazette*, pertaining to the 3c 1861 on orange paper, which are alleged to be frauds. The clipping follows:

To the Editor of *The Philatelic Gazette*:

During the past few weeks a number of cut square envelopes, purporting to be on *orange* paper have made their appearance. All of these were on watermarked paper, something entirely unknown to all specialists of the past The regular orange envelope of this issue (a great rarity) is printed on a heavy wove paper, not watermarked, and it is the so-called variety 8 of this die. The new discovery appeared on various die varieties known only on white or buff. The shade of ink in which the orange envelopes have appeared is not uniform, although we have seen at least two specimens where the color of the paper is remarkably well imitated. It is the opinion of the undersigned that all envelopes of this nature are artificially changed. This opinion is strengthened by the fact that the collection, in which the first of the specimens was found, contained rare cut square envelopes, purported to be on amber and cream paper, were changlings of the same nature from white paper.

Victor M. Berthold,
J. M. Bartels,
A. Krassa,
Edward Stern.

We are probably the dealers who have placed these stamps on the market, and write to explain the circumstances surrounding same.

On May 7th, 1910, we purchased a large stock from a former dealer, who has been out of business for 10 or 12 years; in said stock we found four of the 3c 1861 on orange paper. While we do not claim to be experts, we had no doubt whatever that they were the real thing, and consequently had them on sale at our store, during which time we showed them to one of our customers, who lives in Harrisburg. He said that he could dispose of them, and asked us to name a price, which we did. Several weeks later, he told us that he had disposed of them to a New York dealer, and to charge the amount to his account. He did not state what price he got for them, but we heard from another source that he sold three of them at $27.50 each, and retained the other copy for his collection. After an interval of a week or ten days, he brought the stamps back, with the statement that they were originally on white paper and had been changed chemically to orange. At the time, we considered this a silly statement and since have offered two copies to another dealer, but have this day written to said dealer requesting him to return them, so that we can ascertain beyond doubt, just what they are.

The article mentions that the first of these specimens was found in a collection containing rare cut square envelopes, purported to be on amber and cream paper. We know nothing about these last mentioned stamps at all, and from this part of the article, we have still a little doubt if we are the only dealers that have these faked (?).

Although the gentlemen whose names are under the article are among the best authorities on envelopes, we still have our doubts that there is anything irregular about the stamps, and think it just possible that some new variety of paper has just come to light.

However, if you are convinced the stamps have been tampered with, we give you the authority to deface the two stamps, which we enclose for your examination, and upon receipt of an unfavorable report, we will send the other two copies for the same treatment.

We would like to have the stamps back, after they are defaced, to be placed in our collection of "Album Weeds".

Baltimore Stamp Co.,
Harry M. Lindsay, Pres.

Newark, N. J., Oct. 23, 1910.

To the Editor:

While the controversy is on regarding the 20 cent Confederate 1863, half used as 10 cent, Scott's 212 C, there can be no question regarding the fact that this stamp was so used and mail stamped with it was properly delivered.

I have a diagonal half, used on a piece of cover, postmarked plainly, Savannah, Ga., in such a manner as to show conclusively that the stamp was used as a diagonal half and the letter was properly delivered. The date does not show.

At that time the South had a new government that had suddenly come into existence and it was never fully or completely organized. Every Mayor was, to all intent and purposes, absolute Governor of his city, and every Postmaster was practically a Postmaster-General of his postoffice and the conditions permitted almost anything to be done that was for the good or relief of the people and the Confederate Government legalized such acts by knowingly permitting them.

E. C. Vick.

Lancaster, Pa., Oct. 26, 1910.

To the Editor:

I was shown today by a friend the editorial in the last issue of the Weekly regarding my recent assignment and thank you for your kind words. The Associated Press dispatch quoted was somewhat misleading. On July 27th, I was stricken down and for several days my life hung in the balance. My recovery from this attack has been very slow but now seems sure. Sick and unable to attend to business, my affairs became somewhat tangled and the assignment was made to protect my interests until I could dispose of considerable personal property. The assets are largely in excess of the liabilities which are almost entirely of mortgages against real estate. While in stamps, I am not a collector nor a dealer but rather an accumulator. I have a large stock valued at over $25,000. This will be disposed of in the near future as, on account of my health, I will dispose of everything I have in the line of coins, stamps, etc., and take a much needed vacation in an effort to regain my health.

Chas. Steigerwalt.

Albert Lea, Minn., Oct. 27, 1910.

To the Editor:

I am glad that Mr. Flick has called attention to one great abuse in the stamp business, an abuse which I am afraid is all too common. I want to speak of another practice too frequently adopted by so-called stamp dealers. Some of these dealers are advertising big variety packets of a thousand or more, and the youthful aspirant to philately is assured that to buy one of these packets is the best way to start a collection. Naturally, if he can, he buys one of these starters, and what does he get? Nothing but trash, dirty, torn, absolutely worthless. His eyes are opened, he feels that he has been buncoed and beaten. That one experience is enough for him, and still we wonder why, out of the big army of boys that start in stamp collecting, so few keep it up.

I think that the recruiting committee of the A. P. S. and others might well direct their energy towards checking this evil. Of course I do not wish to be understood as condemning the packet trade. In fact I believe, as these dealers say, that a fairly sized packet is a good way to begin collecting. What I object to is the rubbish and trash which is too often foisted upon the innocent purchaser. The dealer who is really anxious to sell stamps and build up a trade should be the first to see that he sells good goods.

Geo. H. Mueller.

New York, Oct. 28, 1910.

To the Editor:

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I have not the least doubt but that the revocation of this particular clause in the Colonial Secretary's letter would have the approval of many collectors, especially of all those who have followed this hobby in the true sense of the collecting of "postage" stamps, i. e. of stamps that have actually been created to pay for the services of the Post Office of the country whose name and monetary currency they bear.

A stamp could in my estimation be well compared with an object of art, the unused stamp being actually a substitute, a reproduction, so to speak, of the real article, the "postage" stamp, the genuineness of which is proven by the cancellation mark of the post office for whose use it was printed; therefore, if a stamp is actually used or is cancelled to order (which latter must apply to all stamps of high value) cuts no figure, the fact that a postal official has affixed his "seal" in the shape of a cancellation is the best proof of its genuineness, and of its having served to pay for a certain service rendered by that particular official, which was its original object.

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THE COLONIES OF PORTUGAL.

Clipping from M. A. LESSER.

The chief colonial possessions of Portugal are situated in Africa. On the West coast Portugal holds the huge provinces of Angola and Benguela, provinces of evil renown, since, in spite of her fair words and good intentions, she has allowed slave trading and slave raiding to become rampant on the mainland, and a system of plantation slavery to grow up on the cocoa islands of San Thomé and Principe. The neighbors of the provinces of Angola and Benguela are the Germans to the south, the French Congo and Congo Free State to the north and northeast, and Rhodesia to the east, though no frontier line has ever been drawn between Rhodesia and the Portuguese possessions. Indeed, some maps mark a white patch of "no man's land" in this region.

Mozambique, the other great African possession of Portugal, is on the east African coast and stretches from Delagoa Bay on the south to Cape Delgado on the north, and includes the mouths of the Zambezi. The province is not only large in extent, but also of very great natural wealth. But the Portuguese, though they have possessed it for nearly five hundred years, have made a diminishing rather than an increasing use of its resources. Portugal's neighbors here are German East Africa to the north, and to the west and south, Rhodesia and British Central Africa. In addition, Portugal owns the island of Madeira and the Azores, the Cape Verde Islands and a settlement in Guinea. Madeira and the Azores count as European and as parts of Portugal. Also she holds in India the ancient but now utterly dead city of Goa. Macao, however, her settlement in China, is, owing to its geographical position, of much greater importance; while Portuguese Timor, the eastern portion of that island, might probably prove of great commercial value in other and more active hands.

It will be seen from these facts that if Portugal were to enter upon a period of anarchy, and were to afford an excuse for the contention that she was unable to control her oversea possessions, endless disputes might arise over the question of ownership. Curiously enough, the matter would not be complicated by any question over the Munroe Doctrine, as there are no Portuguese possessions within its sphere of influence.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

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EDITORIAL.

History Repeats—The suggestion made officially that special stamps be printed for the use of the different departments of the government has inspired no little editorial comment in the newspapers. The feeling is pronounced that it is necessary to correct abuses to which the franking privilege undoubtedly is subjected. In the course of one newspaper editorial, we read: "It is proposed that special stamps be printed to be issued by the postoffice department to those entitled to use them. The agricultural department, for instance, would make a requisition for those it needed. The number used during a year would indicate roughly how much the carriage of its matter had cost the postoffice department, and reimbursement would be possible and proper. Every department should pay for the mail service rendered it. If that were done there would be surpluses instead of deficits, and there would be more force to the request for lower postage rates." These are strangely familiar words; but the explanation of their reminiscent sound may be had in the axiom that history repeats itself.

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The Inception—About 1863, the plan was presented to allow those who were granted the franking privilege to use the regular postage stamps to be paid for out of the contingent fund of the house of representatives. There were some who were unkind enough to say that while there would not be so many public documents sent under this system, there would be a far more extensive use of the postage stamps for other purposes. We quote a commentator of the times: "This has been clearly illustrated in some of our states where the stamps have been substituted for franking." As an aside it may be added: "In one single instance, a member from Utah, in 1858, cost the government over seven thousand dollars by the transmission of books, etc." The suggestion that stamps be used was recognized as one that was feasible, however, and with certain modifications was adopted in 1873 when the well-known departmental issues were made. The history of these distinctive stamps and the somewhat questionable results that attended their use need not be detailed here.

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Always a Problem—So early as 1782, it was predicted that the franking system would be productive of abuses and from that time criticism of the plan has never been wholly stilled; the objections were based, of course, on the fraudulent application of the measure. By 1825, the volume of franked mail had become so heavy that there were publicists who denounced the franking privilege as a menace so grave as to impair the strength of the government institution. It was said that huge numbers of letters, documents and packages were conveyed covered by the franks of officials, that were written, not by themselves, but by real or pretended agents, in violation of the law and that whole sacks of similar matter which had never been handled or seen by governmental functionaries, were transported under franks that had been forged. The difficulty of proving such forgeries seemed to have been such as to multiply the infractions; and successful prosecution of offenders was rare. A statute enacted in 1825 provided a heavy penalty for the counterfeiting of an official frank. The intention of the present officers of the postoffice department as expressed in the newspaper despatches will be followed with keen interest by collectors; and if an issue of departmental stamps again is forthcoming, the specimens will be eagerly accepted by collectors.

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Bad News and Good—From the issue of *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* dated October 22nd, we learn that it is the intention of the publishers to discontinue the paper at the end of this year when the twelfth half-yearly volume will have been completed. The statement is made that the publication of the weekly involves a loss of about $6250 a year or nearly $125 an issue; and that "it is no easy matter to find new and interesting articles to fill its pages week by week." We are somewhat surprised to learn that the maximum circulation "has never exceeded eight thousand a week" in view of the enterprise displayed by the publishers in introducing the paper on railway bookstalls in Great Britain and promoting it by different methods that could be adopted only through the influence and importance, in a business sense, of its publishers. Over the counter, the paper was sold for "one penny" or two cents. Theoretically, *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* was almost the ideal publication and certainly was an "artistic success;" in fact, the paper may have been a bit too ideal to meet the somewhat material considerations that must be recognized by the stamp paper that would attain a real and popular success. Our regret at the impending loss of *Gibbons Weekly* will be greatly tempered, if not wholly mitigated, by the coming of the *Monthly Journal*, which is to be resurrected; and under the guidance of the premier editor of the day, Major Edward B. Evans, will succeed to the position that it held previously, that of the best monthly publication.

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Perforated Australian Officials—Our Australian correspondent, R. J. Hogg, of Sandringham, Victoria, has sent an interesting budget of particulars of the perforated Australian official stamps concerning the collectability of which there has been some controversy ever since the adoption of the plan of perforating the stamps to give them a distinctive character. The information comes seasonably as queries have been drifting in as to their status rather more frequently latterly as the stamps become the more commonly seen. As a rule, cataloguers do not list these varieties and their course in excluding them is taken exception to by some collectors who maintain that in all respects the perforated official varieties are worthy of a full meed of recognition. One cataloguer has told us that the tendency during the past few years has been to suppress rather than to multiply varieties in the standard lists and it is probable that following out that idea the perforated Australian officials are not really "necessary" varieties for the general collector in the estimation of those who preside over the destinies of the catalogues.

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Explanatory—Mr. Hogg has written as follows: "Having noticed on several occasions that reference has been made in your columns to individual specimens of the stamps generally known as Australian Perforated Official stamps, I propose to give a few lines on this legitimate branch of philately which is sure to gain considerably in the near future in both interest and value of the stamps when the commonwealth universal postage stamps and rates are an accomplished fact. There being no franking of official postal matter in this country, except in the postal department, the ordinary postage stamps are in use, but to safeguard the revenue these were originally surcharged O. S. and, in common with similar issues of other countries, catalogued and priced by the leading cataloguers. Of later years, a system of perforating these stamps for official use was introduced, O. S. being used for those intended for the federal departments throughout the commonwealth, and also on those for state use in Queensland, Victoria and Papua. New South Wales has a very small, 'O. S.' perforated on its federal department stamps and 'O. S.—N. S. W.' in two lines, on those used by the state department; South Australia has 'S. A.', Tasmania, 'T,' and West Australia, 'W. A.' for state use. Although these stamps are regularly prepared and issued by the postal department for official use, since the advent of this perforating, English catalogues have seen fit to ignore them. German and French publications have noted them and in Australia, collectors have given them considerable attention and our sole philatelic paper, The *Australian Philatelist*, has published some really excellent articles on them."

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To Continue—Our correspondent continues: "These facts suggest that our so-called standard catalogues, in reality are only a list of the goods which some dealer wishes to dispose of and it points to the necessity of leading philatelists taking up the question of a standard catalogue in countries where philately is strong. Regarding the market value of this class of stamps, as they are evidently very little collected outside of Australia, their values should be, at all events under that of similar stamps of the ordinary issue, although with greater interest in other parts, this would soon be altered. Evidently, a large proportion of official postal business is of a bulky character and high values are fairly common in this state. The prices quoted by foreign catalogues are far above the true values generally and are misleading and really just as harmful as the silent contempt of their English brothers. Even rare errors do not reach anything like high prices locally, with the small demand. Besides almost every denomination of the issues of each country and varieties of perforation, and watermarks in both forms of perforation, there are known errors such as inverted, double and vertical perforations. Many of the compound perforations of Tasmania are known in this state and many of the misplaced printings of the first or small type of 'Postage' in the oblong South Australian issues were used in this way." Mr. Hogg illustrates his remarks with ten specimens that show the different types of perforations used to transform the ordinary stamps into those of official kind.

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Unusual—Fred G. Fuessel, St. Louis, reports the following postmark on a one-cent, 1857, United States: "U. S. Mail, 1 Apr. 14. Lively." There are letters to the left of "Lively" but they are not legible. Even so early as 1857, the words "U. S. Mail" were regarded as the possession of the U. S. postoffice department exclusively and no private letter-carrying concern would dare use the talismanic words. It is possible that the letters that Mr. Fuessel says precede "Lively" and are illegible would be explanatory if they were known. Perhaps some reader can tell of this postmark.

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* 9	" 10c red	.06	.04
* 10	" 25c blue	.10	.08
* 11	" 50c gray	.50	.25
* 18	1894, 1fr lilac	.60	.35
* 20	1895, 5c brown and black	.06	.04
* 21	" 10c blue and black	.06	.04
* 9	Cook Islands 1893, 1d brown	.40	.15
* 15	1893, 1d brown	.25	.10
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* 18	" 2d brown	.15	.08
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* 3	" 25m orange	.04	.03
* 5	" 100m blue and pink	.04	.03
6	1895, 5p green	.06	.03
* 18	1900, 2r gray	.02	.01
19	" 1c green	.04	.03
21	" 3c red	.08	.04
* 3	Costa Rica 1863, ½r blue	.05	.03
* 4	1863, 2r scarlet	.05	.03
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BRITISH STAMPS USED ABROAD.

In our issue of October 8 was an article dealing with the Great Britain stamps used abroad, giving a list of the colonies, etc., in which the stamps were employed and the postmarks. Bright & Son writes us in relation to the same and we consider their letter of sufficient importance to make the following extract from the same:—

"We may point out to you, and we think you might give notice to the effect that in our Catalogue we give a full list of these stamps, from pages 23 to 40, which list includes not only the prices, but separate plate numbers. This surely is far more valuable information than a bare list such as appears in your Journal."

U. S. 4c 1902 IMPERFORATE.

By Karl Koslowski.

On Friday, the 15th day of May, 1908, a lot of twenty-five sheets, four hundred stamps in a sheet, making a total of ten thousand stamps, were sold at the Detroit Post Office in imperforate form to a Stamp Vending Machine Co. It was a consignment for two local concerns who had previously bought machines and used the two cent of the 1903 issue; but as most of their samples and circulars required four cents on each piece, and the machines only place one stamp on each piece of mail, an order had been placed with the Postmaster General at Washington, D. C. a few weeks previous through the Detroit Post Office for ten thousand of the four cent stamps. They arrived in Detroit on the aforesaid date and were turned over to the Schermack Stamp Vending Machine Co. without being opened, so that in fact nobody in Detroit saw them in imperforate condition except the employees of the Schermack Co. and the writer.

These stamps were worked up on the same day. First the sheets were trimmed of the end and right side margins, then cut into strips and pasted together in one long strip with the left side margin bent under, and used as a hinge and with a special machine, worked on the same principal as a sewing machine, cut with the private perforation and rolled up ready for use in the mailing machine. The perforation is now known as Schermack No. 3. All this was done in my presence, and the stamps were delivered to their customers on the same day. One concern received six thousand and the other the remaining four thousand. From their places of business they were sent out on mail, mostly circulars, and as there was nothing mentioned in the stamp world about that time, they all met their fate in waste baskets, and it is safe to say that they are gone for good. It would have been an easy matter for me to get hold of some sheets and hold them for the "suspected speculation," but not being aware of their real value and thinking that there would be more where they came from, I let them pass. Unfortunately it was after I had disposed of my first collection. But not being able to resist the old hobby, a few days later I secured some of the stamps with the Schermack No. 3 perforation, and it is a fact that these few copies are the only ones saved in unused condition. In used condition, a few more could perhaps be found if a thorough search were made.

Before going more into detail I wish to state that the stamps I had were not taken care of afterwards for the reason that they were cut close at the top or bottom, or the hyphen holes were cut too far into the stamps, in the same manner as the current two cent stamps that were worn as badges at the recent A. P. S. Convention. I used them up and only kept out the few best ones.

There are known only about one hundred of the Pan-American two cent inverts, and I am safe when I say that hardly one fourth of that number will ever be known of the four cent 1902 type imperforate, as they are in pairs and strips. The members of the A. P. S. who were present at the Convention held in Detroit in August, 1910, saw almost all known stamps of this variety. The strip of five as an attraction is in a class by itself, and was greatly admired by many well known collectors. To date the known copies are well distributed among collectors and dealers, all of whom value them as a rarity.

Detroit collectors have the strip of five, two pairs and three singles; one pair is cut close at the top. Of the singles, two are used, one being still on cover with the large margin on the left. A New York dealer has a strip of three, used, with heavy, black cancellation all over the strip one pair unused and four singles; of the latter, one is used, and of the unused, one is without gum. A Cleveland collector has one used copy, and one copy on cover is in the hands of a well-known collector in Vienna, Austria, making a total of fourteen lots of twenty-three stamps. There is a possibility that two more may be secured, but so far as known they have gone astray on a piece of mail matter sent to Europe.—*Philadelphia Stamp News.*

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Clipping from M. A. Lesser.

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33	2d,	.06	73	2c,	.25
34	2½d,	.10	146	2c,	.90
37	¼d,	.01	157	2c,	.90
38	½d,	.02	158	3c,	.50
39	1d,	.03	183	2c,	.10
Barbados			184	3c,	.15
No. 70	1f,	.02	210	2c,	.06
74	5d,	.16	212	2c,	.06
88	2d,	.14	235	6c,	.08
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NOTA BENE.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 31.—The first official note of the approach of Christmas appeared today when the Postoffice Department issued a warning to all postmasters that Portugal, Guatemala and Uruguay refuse to admit to their mail articles bearing nonpostage "Christmas" stamps or the adhesive charity stamps or labels. Portugal's objection, however, is limited to such stamps as resemble regular postage stamps.

Great Britain, Germany, British East Africa and a host of British dependencies will admit articles bearing such stamps when the stamps are affixed to the reverse and not to the address side. Articles liable to be refused admittance will not be forwarded from the United States, but will not be returned to the persons mailing them.

Incidentally, the department has issued the usual annual caution that to avoid delay in handling articles bearing Christmas stamps, to be transmitted in the international mails, the covers of such articles should bear the full name and address of the senders.—*Chicago Inter-Ocean.*

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10r light green, No. 40 ..... .02
1903 25r carmine, No. 80 ..... .02
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1892-93 5r yellow, No. 1 ..... .03
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1886 *2½d blue, No. 18 ..... .12
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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

Edited by HENRY A. KIDDER.

Any information regarding new issues will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Address HENRY A. KIDDER, 17 Addison St., Arlington, Mass. Letters calling for a reply should contain a self-addressed, stamped envelope. We cannot give applicants the addresses of our correspondents.

UNITED STATES.—A. J. Hummel has shown us one of the current 2c envelopes, showing a white mark extending from the "W" of "Two" to the outer colorless oval line. The specimen was from a box discovered in the Baton Rouge, La., postoffice.

Henry Bausinger reports having found a double print of McKinley's head on one of the new post cards, the extra impression being much lighter than the other, and about 10 mm. higher.

Claude R. Mowry reports having found on all values of the current series of postage stamps a short line running from the "G" of "Postage" to the outer frame line of the oval. In some cases the line extends only half way, and terminates in the centre leaf at the end of the spray.

F. H. Webster has been studying his common United States and has found the following minor varieties, due to imperfect printing:

2c Columbian — Line joining top of right "2" to left side of oval; colored lines severing the top of both figures; both figures disfigured by colored lines in various places; colorless marks on side and bottom of ovals containing the figures, in some cases the ovals being almost closed.

1c Columbian—Colorless lines added to the bottom curves of the numerals.

1c 1890—Ovals containing the numerals partially shaded; ornaments added to the bottom of the numerals.

AUSTRALIAN COMMONWEALTH.—The following item is from the *Sydney News*: "From January 1st all postage stamps within the Commonwealth will have 'Australia' printed across them and will have currency all over the continent and Tasmania. Later on there will be uniform Commonwealth stamps."

Commenting upon this, *Gibbons Weekly* says: "The last remark has been ancient history for some years. It is always '*later on*'! As a matter of fact, we believe the work is really in hand this time. But the prospect of having every shade and perf. variety of all values now current in each State of the Commonwealth, duplicated by the addition of a futile overprint which has been quite unnecessary during the last eight years, is one that makes our blood run cold."

BAVARIA.—Mr. Schachne sends the new forms for the following cards. In the last issue there was an apparently grudging concession to the generally current idea of allowing the public the left half of the card front for a message by shortening the address lines but leaving the headlines on the upper left corner. These cards show the left half blank and partitioned off with a perpendicular ruled line. Headlines, dotted lines and stamp are of the same type as last.

Post Cards.

5pf green on buff.
10pf carmine on buff.

CHILE.—Philip Wolff has been informed by the United States Consul at Valparaiso that two values of the new set were issued September 26. Hermann Focke reports that some of the new stamps have arrived in this country, but beyond the fact that they are oblong and printed in two colors, is unable to give us any information regarding them.

Later.—Frank C. Davis has shown us three values of the new set, and we find that there are large horizontal oblong stamps, printed in two colors, the frame being the same for all values, with pictures and not portraits in the centre. The stamps are 23x33 mm. and perforated 12. As these stamps are dated "1810–1910" they evidently belong to the promised commemorative set. The stamps are very handsomely engraved and printed, a fact which is guaranteed by the imprint of the American Bank Note Co. of New York, which appears below every stamp. The values shown us and the illustrations are as follows: 5c, Battle of Maipo; 10c, Combat at sea between the Frigates Lautaro and Esmeralda; 20c, Abdication of O'Higgins.

Adhesives.

5c blue and black.
10c dark brown and black.
20c vermilion and black.

CRETE.—Harry Fox reports having seen the 5 lepta and 10 lepta stamps of 1905 surcharged in red, in the square Gothic letter like Scott's Nos. 58 and 59.

CUBA.—In re the 3c re-engraved stamp, Hermann Focke contributes the following:

"The following communication comes from the 'Jefe del Despacho' at the Havana Post Office: 'No 3c stamp purple of the issue of 1899 exists nor ever existed on paper without watermark, nor has there been a second printing of the stamps, as there is still quite a supply on hand of the first printing. The only existing variety is the surcharge of 1 centavo in red, that appeared in 1902.' It would be interesting to have somebody come forward with a specimen of the so-called reissue 3c stamp that would leave no doubt as to its actual existence."

FIJI ISLANDS.—Harry Fox reports having seen the 2½d value in a single color, as noted in No. 1028.

GERMANY.—Mr. Schachne sends the changed card and the remarks under Bavaria in this issue also apply here.

Post Card.

5pf green on buff.

GIBRALTAR.—*Gibbons Weekly* chronicles the 4sh value in the new universal colors, on multiple chalky paper.

Adhesive.

4sh carmine and black.

ITALY.—Mr. Schachne reports the 10c card with changed date.

Post Card.

10c carmine on white; "10."

MEXICO.—*Gibbons Weekly* reports the 50c with "Oficial" surcharge.

MONTENEGRO.—*Gibbons Weekly* illustrates the new stamps issued in celebration of the elevation of Prince Nicholas to the dignity of king. They are evidently modelled on the Austrian jubilee series, and show portraits of His Majesty at various ages. It appears that the currency has been altered, the previous kruna values being superseded by stamps bearing the value in "perpera", which is evidently another name for a similar sum.

As noted in No. 1027, the 1 para gives a portrait of Prince Nicholas in 1855, when a student in Paris; the 2 pare and the 20 para, the Prince and Princess at different periods, 1860 and 1910; and the 5 para, 15 para, 1 perper and 5 perpera, the Prince at various periods, the last showing a spirited picture, full length on horseback. The other values are not illustrated. Though evidently modelled on the Austrian stamps, the ornaments, being composed of flowers, grain and leaves, give an entirely different appearance. There are two sizes as illustrated, the 2 and 20 para being large square stamps while the others are not so wide.

Adhesives.

1 para black.
2 pare chocolate.
5 para blue green.
10 para carmine.
15 para slate blue.
20 para olive.
25 para blue.
35 para chestnut.
50 para violet.
1 perper lake.
2 perpere yellow green.
5 perpera sky blue.

NYASSA.—*Gibbons Weekly* notes an interesting variety of the recently issued provisional 50r on 100r.

The top line of stamps of one whole sheet of fifty has escaped the surcharge "50 reis", and appears with the word "Provisorio" only. If this is, as appears likely, the only sheet on which this omission occurs, then there can only be five copies of this variety extant, and its rarity can easily be calculated.

PAPUA.—We have received the following interesting letter upon Papuan postal matters from Hermann Focke, and reproduce the same in full:

"I have received another small consignment of Papua stamps from Port Moresby under date of Aug. 5, and wish to report the following: No 6d and 2sh 6d stamps were in stock. The 2½d horizontal wmk. Crown A comes now perforated 12½. The 1d now comes in the type of the 2sh 6d and the first issue of the ½d stamp, i. e., large letters 'Papua', and vertical watermark, both normal and inverted, but the paper is the smooth, white variety used, for the stamps with horizontal wmk. and the perforation 12½ is also of the small, one might say, pin holes. This latter stamp will be a surprise to the 'Papua fiends', as it will again overthrow the idea of a one-color new issue; still it may be only an intermediate variety, and there is no telling how scarce it may become. I received both varieties perforated 'O S', also the 2½d and 1sh horiz. wmk., perf. 12½, all used on cover to pay postage."

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28	5c on 40c	.20	.08
30	5c on 30c	.25	.10
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APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Gary, Sumner, 101 Hamilton Ave., Akron, Ohio; age 43; Chief Clerk, C. A. & C. Ry. Reference: Chas. A. Townsend, A. P. S. No. 190. Proposed by O. S. Hart, No. 1885.

Gerspacher, R. E., 410 Koenigstrasse, Grand Island, Nebr.; age legal; No Occupation. References: First National Bank of Grand Island; Grand Island National Bank. Proposed by W. P. Wherry, No. 2466.

Stamm, M. P., 510 South Second St., Albuquerque, New Mex.; age 61; Real Estate. References: Bradstreet's; Dun's. Proposed by W. L. Babcock, No. 1736.

Diver, Geo. B., Box 393, Port Huron, Mich.; age 26; Cashier Cleveland-Sarnia Saw Mills Co. References: A. D. McLean, Mgr. The Canadian Bank of Commerce; R. H. Harvey, Mgr. The Traders Bank of Canada. Proposed by W. O. Wylie, No. 1689.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3882. Hardy, Jr., W. F., Clayton, Mo.
3883. Seagrave, Herman B., Boston, Mass.
3884. Jones, B. Gordon, London, N., Eng.
3885. Kuppers, Paul, Manila, Phil. Ids.
3886. Page, Robt. H., Cebu, Phil. Ids.
3887. Petsche, B. W., Yonkers, N. Y.

DEATH REPORTED.

3838. Memelsdorf, L. W., Denver, Colo.

RESIGNATIONS ACCEPTED.

2131. Nelson, Walter C., 5120 Jefferson Ave., Chicago, Ill.
3617. Hoffman, Paul F., 709 Park Ave., Baltimore, Md.
3302. Hendrick, G. W., 1421 Alverado Terrace, Los Angeles, Calif.
3502. Lorensen, E. B., 106½ Orchard St., Mansfield, Ohio.
2747. Koebel, John C., 1463 Cuyler Ave., Chicago, Ill.
1241. Pence, Capt. W. P., 3104 Mt. Pleasant St., N. W., Washington, D. C.
2828. Hernandez, L. Perez, Parana, Argentine Republic.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

3831. Fehlig, Burdette H., from 2330 Park Ave. to 3544 Connecticut St., St. Louis, Mo.
222. Toppan, Geo. L., from Washington, D. C., to 672 Graceland Ave., Chicago, Ill.

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Total membership Oct. 15, 1910,		1754
New stockholders admitted Oct. 22,	3	
" " Oct. 29,	6	
	—	9
		1763
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" Oct 29,	7	
Death reported,	1	
	—	19
Total membership Oct. 29, 1910,		1744

W. H. BARNUM, Sec.

REPORT OF COUNTERFEIT DETECTOR.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22, 1910.

Proprietary revenue stamps of the 1875-81 issue are appearing in the market fraudulently rouletted. These fakes have been skilfully produced by removing the perforations of the common variety and applying a "roulette". While the work is not particularly skilfully done it would be well for collectors to be on their guard.

Collectors of cut square U. S. envelopes are warned against used copies of the 3c 1861 purporting to be on orange paper, but which are in reality artificially changed from buff. The true orange envelope is unknown in used condition and always on unwatermarked paper, while the fakes show heavy laid lines and a portion of the watermark "U S" "P O D".

The source of these rather clever fakes is a "stamp company" in Baltimore. The orange color is a remarkably clever imitation. A number of these "rarities" have been offered to dealers and collectors during the past few weeks at prices between $20 and $30 each.

J. M. BARTELS, Cft. Detector.

BRANCH REPORTS.

Buffalo.—The fifteenth regular meeting was held Oct. 19, 1910, at the Central Y. M. C. A. Bldg. Preceding the meeting an excellent supper was served, the balance of the evening being taken up in examining J. W. Schaefer's collections of U. S. Proofs and Stamps of recent issue. —F. P. JAMES, Acting Sec.

Philadelphia. — The annual meeting was held at the room of the Philadelphia Stamp Club at 7.30 o'clock P. M., Oct. 18th. Pres. Hahman in the chair, with 13 members present. The Secy.'s report of previous meeting was read and approved. The report of Treasurer was accepted. The following officers for the fiscal year of 1910-11 were unanimously re-elected: Pres., F. Hahman; Vice-Pres., Chas. Beamish; Secy. and Treas., A. F. Henkels; Sales Supt., John W. Haseltine. —A. F. HENKELS, Sec.

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* 1876, 6p violet brown	1.00	.33
South Australia 1876, 4p red-violet (No. 65)	.25	.08½
Straits Settlements 1902, 5c violet	.05	.01½
***Surinam** 1885, 2c yellow	.08	.03
***Transvaal** 1896, 1sh yellow bistre and green, mint	.50	.29
* 1902, 6p brown orange and black	.35	.18
Trinidad 1883, 4p slate	.08	.03½
***Turks Islands** 1887, 1sh black brown (No. 49)	.65	.34
Victoria 1891, 2½p brown red yellow	.05	01½
* 1901, 1sh orange yellow (No. 203), mint	.50	.29
***Western Australia** 1890, 1sh olive green (No. 68), mint	.50	.32
* 1902, 9p orange, mint	.50	.27
* " 8p pale yellow green, mint	.25	.22
***Wurtemburg** 1906, 5p (No. 227), mint	.15	.05
***Costa Rica** 1883, Official, 40c blue (No. 223a), mint	.20	.07
"Guanacaste", 1890, 5c orange (No. 439)	1.00	.20
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ITEMS FROM THE ENGLISH PRESS.

By CHARLES E. JENNEY.

Under the sub-title of "A Double-Barreled Protectorate," is an article in the Oct. 8th *Postage Stamp* on East Africa and Uganda, giving a little general history, a list of the issues, and a few appertaining notes.

In *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* of Oct. 8th the continuation of Melville's article on Postage Stamps in the making, familiarizes us with some of the methods of stamp artists and designers and appliances of the reducing processes. Under a paragraph on Harmony in Stamp Design are full size illustrations of the 2c 1863 Jackson and the 3c 1902 Jackson representing disproportionate examples, the first being much too large a head and the latter too small.

In the same number is illustrated in enlargement an intermediate type of the Germany 2 marks Deutsch Reich. It has the Roman letters of the later issue but the sunset rays and the numerals 2 of the early or German letter type.

Considerable space in the English press is naturally devoted these days to affairs in Portugal. At this writing the King is a refugee. All the philatelic world is wondering whether we are to have a new republic, or whether a short provisional revolutionary issue will be followed by a restoration set.

In the *Postage Stamp* of Oct. 15th is a collection of ideas of a writer who hides himself under a nom de plume. The article is entitled "Impressions of Collecting," and embodies the most compact common sense along the topics taken up, that I have seen in print in years. I shall have to quote briefly, a sentence from each of the subjects.

"The Album. Beginners should commence with a modest album, divided up into squares without specific guide as to arrangement and the stamps placed consecutively in the squares as received. When a few thousand have been accumulated they should be transferred to an illustrated album. When a truly representative collection has been got together the specimens may be transferred to a blank album if desired.

Catalogue. The catalogues usually emanate from houses of dealers and are exhaustive priced lists, invaluable as a guide.

When is a Postage Stamp not a Postage Stamp. When a copy in mint condition bears the words 'postage and revenue.' Such a stamp cannot by any stretch of imagination be called a postage stamp and such stamps should appear in a postage stamp collection only as cancelled postally. (Here he gets in a body blow on the English colonial mint condition collectors.)

What to Collect. This depends on the pocket. A well filled one enables most varieties to be accumulated. There is not much excitement, however, in collecting under these conditions. The greatest pleasure lies with the philatelist who has a meagre purse.

Perforations. Much ado about nothing.

Watermarks. Their study has no educational value.

Postcards and Wrappers. They are certainly postal emissions and should be included in catalogues and collections."

In addition to the above subjects the following are treated: Engraved, Lithographed and Surface Printed Stamps; Paper; Shades; Surcharges; Commemoratives; Condition; in all of them the author shows much wisdom and healthy balance of thought, except, in my opinion, the last subject, wherein he advises only the collection of perfect and lightly cancelled copies. Here he displays the artist rather than the philatelist.

An item in *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* of Oct. 15th suggests a new idea for the suppression of speculative issues. We believe the Berne postal convention some years ago passed the necessary ruling but have entirely neglected to enforce it. The item in question states that there is trouble with the Belgium post office, as it refuses to recognize the jubilee issue of Argentine Republic, treating letters so franked as unpaid and refusing newspaper and circulars. They claim to have received no official notice from Berne of the new issue and if so they are strictly within their rights, for the postal convention ruled that no commemorative issues would be permitted in the international mails.

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By Eustace B. Power.

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There were 4400 of this value; there are 100 in the possession of the Government, and as far as we know no other copies have ever been found.

Five cents, blue.

These were advertised at fifty cents each by dealers in Saint Louis, but upon inspection they were found to be merely the ordinary white pulp paper variety. The error on the part of the dealers was probably caused by the fact that the face of the stamps was slightly bluish due to a badly wiped plate. There do exist, however, genuine copies of this value on the "rag" paper. We know of one block of four and three single copies that were found amongst remittances to a mail-order house. One hundred are in the possession of the Government at Washington and these seven copies are known; but outside of that the chances are they are all gone into the waste-paper basket as used copies of a too common stamp. For the benefit of any unbeliever I am prepared to borrow from the owner the block of four and exhibit it.

Six cents, orange.

Of this value 5200 were printed, and deducting the usual 100 kept in Washington, we have 5100 to treat with. I believe 1100 were found in Chicago; anyway, all that have ever come to light emanate from the original Chicago lot. Originally sold for $1.00, the stamp has gradually risen to $1.75, its present price. The orange ink falling on the blued paper forms a very marked contrast to the ordinary variety on plain pulp paper.

Eight cents, olive.

Four thousand were printed, and with the exception of the 100 in Washington, we have so far seen or heard of no copies of this value. Probably they have all been used up, or may lie in some stock of a postmaster, as since the registration rate has been raised to ten cents fewer stamps of eight cents are used.

Ten cents, yellow.

Four thousand were issued. I was the original finder of this value, and that by the merest accident. It was on a Saturday afternoon that I went over to the General Post Office for a supply of 10c stamps. It was in the spring, and the electric lights were burning at the stamp window. I bought four sheets of 100 each, and discovered when I reached my office that 200 were on the blue paper. Needless to say there was some tall scampering back after more, but without result. These 200 copies were sold for $1.00 each, and were cleaned out in twenty-four hours. A party in New Jersey has lately advertised this stamp at $5.00, but of his supply or quantity I know nothing. There are 100 in Washington.

Thirteen cents, sea-green.

Four thousand of this value were printed, so that, deducting 100 in Washington, we have 3900 available. I have never seen a single example of this value, although I believe some one in a small town in Illinois reported its existence. As the plate of this value is often poorly wiped, I would prefer to see a copy before actually chronicling its existence.

Fifteen cents, pale blue.

Again 4000 were printed—leaving us 3900 to find. This value is perhaps the hardest of all for an amateur to decide, as the pale blue tint of the ink neutralizes the usual striking blue of the paper. The value turned up in Cleveland and was marketed by a collector in that city; whether he has any now I do not know. Our copies are all more or less badly centred, and many of them have a straight edge.

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NEW YORK, Oct. 31, 1910.

To the Editor:

There are one or two things about stamp auctions that should be remedied. One thing, no auctioneer should sell counterfeit stamps unless they are stamped on the back as such. A man buys them and puts them on exchange slips and in this way collectors get stung. You could remedy this by refusing to insert ads of auctions unless the dealer agrees to omit the counterfeits.

Another thing is the awful break of describing a stamp that is damaged as looking fine. I have a catalog before me and one stamp is described "corner gone but makes a good appearance." How absurd!

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Another thing is the auctioneer who uses every catalog in creation so as to quote the highest price. One catalog I have quotes Scott, Gibbons, Senf, Kohl and Y. & G. Why not catalog all sales either by one catalog or another?

MISSOURI.

SEATTLE, WASH., Oct. 24, '10.

To the Editor:

I am trying to get some information on U. S. part perforates, but am unable to find anyone who knows much about it.

I purchased from a dealer what were supposed to be Government part perfs., horizontal and vertical. Lately I purchased some of these out of the post office here and in comparing same find that the perforations of those I purchased from the dealer measure 12½ and very uneven at that, the holes not being equal distance apart and not straight in line. I wrote the dealer about it and he tells me that they were Internationals and perforated 13, and used as such. Now I am looking for some information about these Internationals. I notice Powers' book on U. S. stamps does not mention these.

If you could help me to get some information on this subject, I should feel greatly obliged. I enclose a sample of the supposed Internationals.

E. J. T. UTERMARK.

GEORGE V. STAMPS IN MAY.

Clipping from MARCEL E. TALLER.

LONDON, Nov. 8.—The new stamps of King George's reign will probably be ready for issue next May. The contract for printing them means that when the issue is once authorized the contractors will have to print no fewer than 1,000,000 stamps an hour for an entire working year.

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—A writer of a post card files a grievance with the WEEKLY. He says: "A number of your dealers advertise to buy scarce or rare stamps. What is a rare stamp anyway? What kind is it these dealers want to buy? The small boy buys a rare stamp from a dealer but if he wants to sell it again it comes under the head of trash. What do you know about that?"

—Clippings acknowledged with thanks from Wm. L. Hamilton, Jr., D. D. Berolzheimer, Maitland Milliken (3), Hugo Kuenstler (3), Marcel E. Taller (3), Francis Rotch, Jr., T. C. Mann, Harry Fox and Joseph A. Hyde.

—A. M. Wright of Dorchester, Mass., states that with his help, Otto H. Kohler of Roxbury, Mass., has organized the Roxbury Stamp Club with fifteen members.

—Charles King the well-known New York dealer, informs us that he is making a brief stay in England for his health, and his return to the United States may be delayed for several weeks. He expresses his regret at inability to attend to his accumulated correspondence and trusts that his friends will forbear with him in his enforced vacation from business.

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EDITORIAL.

No Tax—A reader, who, judging from the following, found a prescription written on an old United States envelope, inquires: "Will you kindly advise me through your paper whether druggists' prescriptions would be likely to have any U. S. postage or revenue stamps of value affixed thereto? I refer to the period between 1863 and 1883 or thereabouts. Would the government consider at that time a prescription on a U. S. envelope as being the tax paid? What was the schedule of charges for this revenue in the period mentioned?" We searched the revenue schedules of the Civil war period and found no reference to prescriptions in the stamp or "C" schedule; but there are other reasons for the statement that no tax was to be rated by stamps or otherwise charged on the prescriptions in question. In an index of the revenue laws of 1866, the explanations are made: "Medicines compounded according to formulas in pharmacopœias, &c., exempt," and "Written recipe, or prescription of physician, exempt."

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He Found Some Stamps—Another subscriber wrote to complain that he had access to a lot of documents that had been executed during tax times but found that on many of the papers there were no revenue stamps. He said that the instruments drawn up by the city of which he now is an officer were the ones without the revenue stamps, while those made privately bore the specimens. While looking over an appendix to the internal revenue guide of 1866, we chanced upon the following as explaining the condition reported by our correspondent. Under date of December 29, 1864, the Commissioner of Internal Revenue decided that state and city securities were exempt from stamp duty.

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Cancelling Revenue Paper—While the "Guide" mentioned in the preceding paragraph is before us, we shall quote a ruling of the department of June 23rd, 1865, that will be of interest to collectors of revenue stamped paper; and the following is a refutation of the claim made by a writer in speaking of a certain revenue stamp impressed check of the Civil war period that it was impossible to obtain it without cuts as it was required that the impression be mutilated, by law: "All stamped paper is cancelled whenever used, and the use of the paper by filling the blanks or attaching a signature, is equivalent to the ordinary form of cancelling an adhesive stamp by writing initials and date upon it. The entire paper is regarded as a stamp, and of course no part of it can be 'cut out' or separated from the remainder, and retain any value as a stamp. Any portion cut and attached to another paper is worthless, and such use of it is *prima facie* fraudulent."

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Be Neighborly—Philip Wolff, Cambridge, Mass., addresses us on the subject of cultivating cordial relations with philatelic Pan-America and in the course of his remarks he speaks of the difficulty of arousing in this country any sustained interest in Latin America. He continues: "In consequence of ignoring these peoples, they seem to have an antipathy to the Americans of the north and only in Chile is friendliness for us apparent. In the South American stamp papers it is very disappointing to never see a Yankee name among the advertisers; it is almost always London and Paris dealers who occupy the trade columns. As it is probable that our dealers can make more money in this country than in the south, the case will have to rest. As Spanish, as a language, attracts students who succeed in acquiring it, let those collectors who write it establish philatelic connections with collectors in countries that are included under the Pan-American classification." Mr. Wolff has sent us a list of the comparatively few papers published and we shall print it in the next issue.

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It Is Here—The new edition of the catalogue that is recognized as the standard of America is all the more warmly welcomed because of its arrival earlier than usual in the year. The advent of the volume, almost coincidental with the opening of the season, is a happy one and a stimulus is given philately at the time when it is most appreciated. The check to fullest activity that was so regrettable in some of the past years is removed and philately should now swing forward at a good pace.

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They Trip—We respectfully hint to those great newspapers whose editors so sapiently discuss the suggestion that special stamps be issued for the purpose of correcting franking abuses in the various departments and elsewhere that the "idea" is "not at least novel" or "refreshingly original;" it is not even "new" or "an example of modern ingenuity." Editors, consult the stamp album.

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All Around the World—We are rather impressed to see in the *South China Morning Post*, Hong Kong, October 1st, 1910, a column headed, "Stamp Chatter, by 'Surcharge.'" The inference is that this stamp department is a regular feature of the paper and in the issue that has been kindly sent us by General H. H. Bandholtz, U. S. A., we find a dissertation on the Earl of Crewe's circular to the British colonial postmasters forbidding them to indulge in speculative practices; in our issue dated October 15th, the text of the statement is given. "Surcharge" calls attention, and justly, to the creditable record of Hong Kong; all the surcharging "was done because of fluctuations in exchange or alterations in postal rates." The only issue that might be challenged on this score was the single jubilee surcharge on two cents to celebrate the fiftieth year of the existence of the colony but the lapse, if one insists upon calling it such, was so slight that it merely loaned emphasis to the commendable record of the colony in the broader sense. In the estimation of some, a stamp column in the *South China Morning Post* may be deemed a novel condition but others will regard it, merely as indicative of the universality of philately.

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Coming—A correspondent says that China is developing "superbly" and that it will not be long, if the present rate of advance continues, before it will have high rank among the progressive powers. The Imperial Chinese Post is increasing in usefulness and the extension of its services is causing the discontinuance of some of the foreign postoffices maintained on its soil as well as opening up new territory in a postal sense. China is rubbing its eyes and it will not be long before it is fully awakened; and enterprise is now being shown in the conduct of its postal department.

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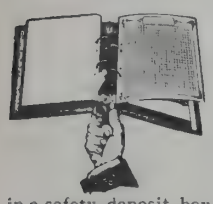

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* 13	1876, 2c.vio. br'n.....	.50	.20
* 20	1883, 5c green	.25	.10
* 31	1899, 10 on 10c gray.....	.08	.05
* 32	12½ on 12½ blue.....	.12	.07
* 33	15 on 15 brown.....	.15	.09
* 34	20 on 20 green	.18	.12
* 2	Ecuador 1865, ½r blue	.25	.08
5	1865, 1r green.....	.35	.15
* 90	1897, 50c orange.....	.50	.15
*98	50c "	.50	.15
*115	1c rose.....	.08	.03
*123	2c blue.....	.25	.08
*124	5c green	.30	.10
*125	10c ochre	.40	.12
*667	Official, 2c orange	.10	.05
*679	10c "	.15	.06
*680	20c "	.20	.08
*681	50c "	.30	.12
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Mr. Putney's new work will be that of sales manager of the Moody Manual Co. of New York. He will for the present devote a portion of his time to the business of the Scott Co., remaining on the board of directors as well as being secretary of the American Collectors Co.

Mr. Putney is very reluctant to leave the Scott Co. just at the present time, but his own personal interests demand that the step be taken. We feel certain that the cordial well wishes of a large circle of friends will follow him into his new field of labor.

THE STAMP MARKET.

By Senex.

Siam appears to be especially popular just now; most sellers seem to have a lot on hand, and in two places at least, they are quoted by the thousand. It had occurred to one that the Satang surcharges might possibly turn out to be "rising goods," since they seemed to be of the nature of provisionals; in this matter we must "wait and see."

It appears that there are not always enough copies of the 25 bani Roumania, 1906, upright design, to make complete sets of. Sets are frequently seen advertised *minus* this denomination. Here is possibly a good shilling stamp.

The new Austria Jubilees, of 1910, are evidently going to be scarce; local dealers' prices for used copies of even the 5 and 10 heller values are pretty high—though they may come down. Cancelled sets can be had, however, at a price that seems to be something of a "standard" quotation. Postally used copies should often be provided by philatelists in their correspondence from now on, and a scant supply may be obtainable in this way. Perhaps such items ought to be worth double-face.

A Continental firm announces higher prices in future for the drachme values of Greece, 1901. Therefore, no longer may we expect to see the old 1dr of this issue priced at its one-time figure of a few pence per copy; also it seems not improbable that one or two drachme values of Crete may go higher presently.

The 8c and 10c Canal Zone of the 1909 issue, seem a trifle more plentiful than were their predecessors of the 1906 set. As the big canal grows the world looks on, and the stamps of this narrow strip of territory grow in popularity.

The 25c Indo-China of 1907, also seems more readily accumulative than its forerunner of 1904; increasing trade may perhaps be responsible for this, but it would be kind of the traders to use a few more of the 20c value. I see the 35c of 1904, is now catalogued 1s 6d; according to accounts it seems it was not in use for much longer than a year.

The 2s 6d lilac, Queen, British, is 6d on the Continent; the 5s rose, is 9d. Other prices observable are: 5 dollars, China, 1897, £3; 10 gulden, Holland, 12s (our English catalogue price); 25b, Roumania, 1906, upright design, 9d; 60 lep, Greece, 1896, 9d; 5 piastres, Egypt, 1872, 1s 9d; Chinese pictorial, 1909, 8d per set.

Presently, we shall probably be able to get the new Bosnia of 1910, 2 to 10h, at 1d or 2d per stamp, and perhaps, the 20h at about 3d—judging from current rates.

Montenegro, 1910, are already on sale; they seem a beautiful series.

I should like to quote the prices asked for used Austria of 1910, but the figures might conflict with the prices of some of our home dealers; suffice to say they are "pretty stiff."

The demand for British Colonial King's Heads is apparently spreading to the Continent. As some sort of a set-off against this, many British collectors are interested in current French Colonial and old German States. And this reciprocity is a good thing. Some British philatelists collect British only; in this (so think we) they perhaps betray something of "our insular mood." Foreign sorts comprise a very wide and delightful field.

Where a dealer goes to the expense of a half-page advertisement, he naturally fills the space with bargains, or with goods that are likely to sell readily at the prices offered: yet sometimes one sees such an advertisement (abroad) offering scarce old Europeans at prices which we might consider very dear in England. Again and again the conclusion is forced upon one, that there are many stamps that are cheap at the very top prices we ask for them over here.

A shilling seems to be the usual price in America for the 1 dollar, 1909—same as our catalogue figure.

The 5 gulden, Holland, seems a popular offer just now, at about two shillings per copy.

Belgian Congo, 1909, have gone up considerably in price since the set for 1910 has appeared. The 15c of the former issue is very noticeably dearer.

Buying Bosnia 1906, is something of an excitement on account of the varieties of perforation, but only two or three copies per hundred seem to turn out to be otherwise than normal.

There is a good demand just now for the higher values of all pictorial European.

Argentine, 1910, may be cheaper presentely.

Denominations that are gradually falling out of use are an interesting study. It is not a bad plan to pencil-mark such items in the catalogue.

Passing historical events are almost sure to have some influence on the stamps within the arena of the scene of action. Let the philatelist study well what the nations are doing.

Knowledge is power, therefore study the catalogue. Make notes. Interesting figures occur in stamp journals relative to the number of copies issued of some desirable stamp; occasionally these are worthy of being transferred to the margin of one's catalogue. They may be useful later on. And so on.—*Stamp Collectors Fortnightly.*

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24c red-brown and blue.....	.20
30c lilac and black.....	.25
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Washington.—President Taft and Postmaster General Hitchcock have reached an agreement on the recommendations the President will make to Congress regarding a change in the second class postage rates as affecting magazines and other periodicals.

Taft will recommend that the magazines be required to pay the present rate of one cent a pound on all reading matter and a much higher rate, to be determined subsequently, on the advertising pages. Each magazine will be required to send a copy of its current issue to the Post Office Department each week, or month, as the case may be. There the publication will be dissected. The reading matter and the advertising sections will be separately weighed and the amount of postage computed by the number of magazines sent out.

Hitchcock told the President today that the plan separating the reading and advertising matter in the magazines is entirely feasible, and he believed it to be the proper solution of the problem. The hauling of magazines in the mail has proved costly to the Government, and both the President and the Postmaster General believe it has entered largely into the deficit shown each year in the Post Office Department. This deficit has been largely reduced in the last year, a saving of $11,000,000 having been reported as a result of economies put into effect by Hitchcock. The adoption of a new rate for the magazines, Hitchcock believes, will entirely wipe out the deficit and put the postal establishment on a self-sustaining basis.

President Taft is looking forward to a one-cent rate for letter postage and hopes to recommend it before he leaves the White House. He hopes also to back up his recommendation with figures and estimates which will show that letter postage at this rate still will yield a profit to the Government.

The establishment of the proposed new rates as to magazines, the President believes, will do much to bring about the one-cent postage plan. At the same time he thinks the magazines will be compelled to pay only their just share in the postal expenses.

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Edited by HENRY A. KIDDER.

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UNITED STATES.—Bertram Leer reports having found three Albinos in a packet of the current 1c wrappers. He also reports having seen a new stamp vending machine, which sells four 1c stamps, or two 2c stamps, just the ordinary perforated varieties, contained in a capsule, for 5c.

Henry MacConnell shows us a 1c St. Louis permit, upon which has been placed a 2c stamp precancelled "St. Louis—Missouri," in two lines. The matter is further complicated by the fact that the stamp is perforated with six large holes at the right, and imperforate on the other three sides.

AUSTRALIA.—According to *Ewen's Weekly* there is some doubt as to whether the stamps of the various Australian states are to be overprinted, "Australia," but one thing seems to be settled, that the stamps of each state will be good in all states, pending the issue of the Federal series. This will commence from Jan. 1, 1911.

BARBADOS.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 2d and 1sh values in the new colors, previously chronicled.

BELGIUM.—A correspondent informs *Ewen's Weekly* that the new set of stamps will be issued Jan. 1, 1911. The low values will have the Arms of Belgium, while the higher values will have a portrait of King Albert. A new value, 40c, is to be added to the series.

CHILI.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us another value in the Commemorative set, chronicled last week. The centre shows the Battle of Chacabuco, the frame being the same as in the other values. We are also indebted to the E. B. Cookson Co. for specimens of the new stamps, also for several specimens of the Juan de Fernandez stamps.

Adhesive.
2c carmine lake and black.

GIBRALTAR.—The 4sh value has now appeared in the new colors, a copy having been shown us by the New England Stamp Co.

Adhesive.
4sh black and red.

JAMAICA.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 3d and 6d on chalky paper, no other changes being noted in the stamps. A correspondent of the *Stamp Journal* says that a new series of stamps is being prepared for the Island, at least one of which will have a portrait of King Edward, which has not previously appeared on any Jamaican stamp.

NEW ZEALAND.—*Gibbons Weekly* says that the 3d and 1sh values of the current set have received the official overprint, and are now in use.

NORTH BORNEO.—The $5 and $10 stamps of 1893 have been issued with "British—Protectorate" surcharged in two lines in red. The New England Stamp Co. has shown us these stamps.

PORTUGAL.—A report is printed in the *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly*, to the effect that the entire stock of stamps, of the Carlos as well as the Manuel type, is to be almost immediately overprinted with the word "Republica."

TRANSVAAL.—The ½d has appeared in a new shade of green, a copy having been shown us by the New England Stamp Co.

20th Century

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" 1sh on green..... .35
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" " " violet.
" " " yellow.

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OUR BOOK REVIEW.

In a beautiful dress of maroon the Standard Catalog for 1911 reaches us for review. We do not need to say anything in connection with prices, as these will receive the early attention of practically every reader of the WEEKLY, to whom this catalog is an absolute necessity.

No less than 824 pages may be found in the work, the typographical appearance being of a high order and a marvel of cheapness, considering the amount of labor represented. It is supplied at the same price as last year, paper covers 50c, cloth 65c. By mail 10c extra.

The following "editorial" matter will prove of sufficient general interest to bear reprinting:

"'Chalky' Papers To Be Dropped.

When first listing these chalky paper varieties in the 1908 edition of our catalogue, we stated that we were doubtful as to the wisdom of the step, and if experience proved the interest in these varieties a passing one, we reserved the right to omit the classification in future editions. Three years' experience has shown that the limited market was highly artificial, and the varieties themselves have proved of practically no interest to the great majority of collectors. Unless the present season brings a remarkable change in this state of affairs, we shall drop these chalky paper varieties from our next edition.

Spread of Stamp Collecting.

It gives us pleasure to report a continuance of the new wave of stamp collecting interest noted last year. The increase in the number of collectors has occurred not only in this country, but to an even greater degree in Europe. This is probably due in part to the greater publicity being given to stamp matters in the newspapers, especially the widely published fact that the present King of England is owner of one of the finest collections in the world, while many other leading and well known men are enthusiastic philatelists.

The new demand has shown itself particularly in the old issues. The early issues of nearly all countries, in fine condition, are rapidly disappearing from the market, and 'nice things' are bringing constantly higher prices.

Prices in This Catalogue.

To follow the market we have been compelled to raise many quotations, particularly on old issues. As previously stated in recent editions of our catalogue, however, we are adhering to our policy of keeping quotations down, rather than attempting to go ahead of the market. It is possible that many prices in the present catalogue will prove too low, even before the active stamp season is well begun, but we believe such a state of affairs more healthy than highly inflated catalogue quotations accompanied by ridiculous discounts.

United States Stamps.

We may emphasize again that the early United States stamps in really fine condition are becoming exceedingly hard to secure. In fact, a collection of U. S. stamps in such condition as would be called 'fine' for the stamps of many other countries whose issues are not so badly centered and heavily cancelled, is to-day almost impossible to obtain. We have been obliged to raise quotations to a moderate degree on many of the issues of this country, but it is possible that some quotations will have to be raised in the Monthly Circular from time to time during the year.

Excluded Varieties.

Our present policy of excluding from the catalogue, as far as possible, purposely made errors of hand-stamped surcharges (the possible variety of which is almost limitless) is now so generally understood and has been received with such general favorable comment, that it requires no further explanation this year."

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12		5p gray lilac.....	2.00	1.00
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CERTAIN BRAZIL PERFORATIONS.

By Chas. J. Phillips.

During my visit to Rio de Janeiro I purchased a mixed parcel of Brazilian stamps, collected from all parts of the country, and numbering some 300,000. The contents of this parcel included the issues from about 1893 to 1908, and I have had the whole of the stamps carefully sorted in Rio, and I think that collectors of this most interesting country may like to know how very rare certain varieties of perforation are shown to be.

The following numbers are those of our new catalogue for 1911:—

Cat. No.		Perf.	No. found.
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243	"	" 300r	13 " 3,300
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370a	"	12½ to 14 x 11 to 11½, 200r	4 " 20,000
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These few figures will serve to show collectors how really rare some of these varieties are; the prices, instead of being 2s 6d to 10s each, ought to be several pounds each.

I might also mention that it has cost us considerably over £20, in labour alone, to sort out this parcel of Brazilian stamps, and I really think that collectors, who sometimes complain of the prices asked by dealers for rare varieties of perforation or rare types of a common stamp, should bear in mind the tremendous labour and expense that the dealer is put to in finding the rare little varieties.

The more I study the stamps of Brazil, from the first issue to the last, the more interesting do I find them, and there are indeed many, many problems still to be worked out in the issues of this country.

Perhaps in the future we shall find a "Hausburg" or a "Bacon" who will devote a few years' study to the issues of Brazil, and evolve order out of chaos. —*Gibbons Weekly.*

"LAID" PAPER.

Every collectors knows, or should know what ordinary *laid* paper is and how it is manufactured, but there is a so-called "laid" paper, found in connection with certain colonial stamps, that has always been more or less of a mystery. The only explanation of these varieties hitherto published is that they were unintentionally caused during the process of printing, but in a letter to *The Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly*, Mr. Irwin Faris has, I think, found the solution to the mystery. Mr. Faris expresses a doubt as to the existence of the 2s New Zealand stamp of 1902-7 on ordinary laid paper. Says he:

"I have during several years past endeavoured to obtain a copy of the reputed 2s, laid, but none of the dozens submitted has been on genuine laid paper. At first sight, and if examined on a flat surface they appear to be such, especially in the margins, but when held to the light the lines disappear, proving them to be superficial."

Mr. Faris then gives a very feasible explanation as to the cause of this "laid" paper as follows:

"The cylinder of a printing machine is always covered with some yielding substance in the nature of a pad, such as felt, rubber, etc., which at the point (or, rather, line) of contact prevents the metal cylinder from damaging the type or plate. This pad is termed a 'blanket.' Years back, numerous experiments were made in 'blankets' of almost every conceivable kind, with a view to improving results in half-tone printing for which the ordinary kinds were not altogether suitable. Many of these blankets were of wire, some being—

"A. Frames with vertical or horizontal wires.

"B. Frames in the form of a brush (similar to a large hair-brush with fine, flexible wires).

"C. Frames of flexible steel.

"In half-tone printing dry paper is used, but for engraved plates the paper is 'damped' (saturated with water) before printing, and therefore becomes impressed with whatever design the depressions or protrusions in the blanket form, but such impressions are not sufficiently deep to show through the paper when it is held to the light. I consequently believe that blanket A is responsible for our so-called laid paper; blanket B for the pin-prick marks noticeable on many of the soft Waterlow issues, and blanket C for the 'ribbed' paper (of the Waterlow kinds) in the colonial prints of 1898-1900, and which many collectors considered varieties."

It may be asked, if this is the correct solution, Why do these "blanket" marks only show on some sheets and not on others, when it is reasonable to suppose that all were printed on the same machine? Possibly some sheets are extra "sensitive," owing to an excessive amount of damping, but whatever the cause, I think there can be little doubt that these "laid" varieties are due to pressure during the process of printing. This also applies to surface-printed stamps, when the paper is not damped, such as the Ceylon 2r 50c of 1872-80, and other varieties well known to specialists as existing on a so-called "laid" paper.—*Gibbons Weekly.*

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	*6d green, o. g	2.50	1.25
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	Wurtemburg 18kr, No. 18, fine	3.00	1.00
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OFFICIAL NOTICE.

The following gentlemen are hereby added to the Recruiting Committee: George K. Smith, Columbus, Ohio; F. W. Reid, Denver, Colo.; W. M. Artman, Los Angeles, Calif.; W. O. Staab, Milwaukee, Wis.; Henry W. Mercer, Seattle, Wash.

Following are changes and additions in the Educational Committee: H. M. Clark being obliged to resign, to the mutual regret of himself and associates, Iver R. Johnson is hereby appointed Secretary and Treasurer of the Governing Board, and A. Roterburg, of Chicago, is appointed to the Board to fill vacancy. The following gentlemen are appointed Territorial Committeemen—others to follow: A. W. Batchelder, Boston; H. A. Diamant, St. Louis; Alvin Good, Cleveland; W. C. Stone, Springfield, Mass.; S. E. Heineman, Detroit; John M. Holt, Astoria, Ore.; Chas. R. Morris, Washington, D. C.

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OFFICIAL NOTICE.

At the Detroit Convention, General Coolidge offered a resolution to have a badge manufactured and placed on sale by the manufacturer to members of the association. The following design was submitted by General Coolidge:

(The little points on the outside of the globe of the design, show the line of the division of the blue and red).

In the above design, the lettered band is half blue and half red, with the letters composing the words "American Philatelic Society" in gold or silver. The center, representing the Pacific Ocean, is white, and the continents on each side of the ocean are in gold or silver.

Suggestions of changes or new designs are invited by your Board of Vice Presidents, with a view of securing a design which will be acceptable to the majority of our members. When the design is selected, members will be advised where they can be purchased and for what price.

F. R. CORNWALL, Chmn.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING NOV. 5, 1910.

APPLICATIONS PENDING.

Moore, Robt. R.	Lester, Philip
Renaut, Theo Louis	Gary, Sumner
Stevenson, Rev. Fred T.	Gerspacher, R. E.
Maxcy, Prof. Carroll L.	Stamm, M. P.
Hileman, Lieut. J. L.	Diver, Geo. B.

APPLICATION POSTED.

Hart, W. O., P. O. Box 641, New Orleans, La.; age 53; Lawyer. Reference: Dinkelspiel, Hart and Davey, New Orleans. Proposed by H. S. Adair, No. 2447.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3888. Dod, Wm. S., Kansas City, Mo.
3889. Campbell, H. G., London, England.
3890. Jot, Peter O., Bangkok, Siam.
3891. Dunlap, T. R., Chicago, Ill.

RESIGNATION POSTED.

1330. Betz, Herman, 1 Canonburg Road, Jamaica, Borough of Queens, N. Y.

RESIGNATIONS ACCEPTED.

2286. Beattie, Jos. H., M.D., Dobbs Ferry, N. Y.
2169. McLeod, H. B., London, Canada.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

3865. de Lagerberg, Guy, from Passaic, N. J., to Box 953, Williamstown, Mass.
3343. Currie, S. G., from Pelham Manor, N. Y., to Beacon Hall, New Rochelle, N. Y.
3439. Brooks, C. Jordan, from 709 Second Ave. to 616 Broad St., Columbus, Ga.

NOTICE.

The 1911 Membership cards are now being mailed and all members in good standing should already have theirs or receive same within the next few days.

W. H. BARNUM, Sec.

QUARTERLY REPORT OF SALES SUPT.

To the Members of the A. P. S.:

I take pleasure in submitting below the quarterly report of the Sales Department as follows:

2455 books in circulation June 30th, 1910, priced at	$45,542.80
139 books rec'd in July, priced at	2,024.47
65 " " August, "	1,520.71
199 " " September, "	3,240.50
2858 " "	$53,328.48
243 " retired (sales $997.39) priced at	4,141.60
2615 books in circulation September 30th, priced at	$48,186.88

Cash Report.

Cash on hand June 30th, 1910,	$3,777.47
" received in July,	608.67
" " August,	709.32
" " September,	534.72
	$5,630.18
243 books retired (priced $4,141.60),	997.38
Balance on hand Sept. 30, 1910,	$4,632.79

Within the past few days, numerous requests to be placed on circuit have come in from members, and we are glad to state that books are going out rapidly, promising a good season for the Department. We would especially call the attention to those who have never availed themselves of the privileges of the Sales Department, to its great value and to the fine and large selections of stamps which we are enabled to place before those desiring same. We also urge upon the members having duplicates that they purchase books of the Sales Department, at the price of 5c each, fill them and send in for circulation. If prices are reasonable and the condition of the stamps good, excellent sales are sure to result.

The following reports of sales made during this first quarter of the Association year by Branch Managers have been made:

1	J. W. Haseltine, Philadelphia, Pa.,	$314.11
2	Theo. Siddall, Philippine Islands,	174.39
3	Charles R. Morris, Washington, D. C.,	163.55
4	W. C. Emery, Springfield, Mass.,	68.20
5	T. C. Mann, St. Louis, Mo.,	66.10
6	A. W. Dunning, Boston, Mass.,	26.23
7	Fred Doughty, Saginaw, Mich.,	23.97
8	John F. Rust, Cleveland, Ohio,	22.96
9	Otto Schumann, Pittsburg, Pa.,	16.29
10	Don R. Bennett, Detroit, Mich.,	9.89
11	Dr. W. I. Mitchell, Wichita, Kas.,	$9.16
12	George B. Graham, Buffalo, N. Y.,	8.58
13	Ross O'Shaughnessy, San Fran., Calif.,	6.44
14	E. J. Crawford, Fresno, Calif.,	4.67

As in the past, we may state that Branch Managers will receive 2½% in cash at the end of the Society year (June 30, 1911) for sales made through them provided the total reaches at least $200.00 for the year. In addition to the above cash compensation, the Sales Superintendent offers prizes in stamps for the four best results: 1st, $10.00; 2d, $5.00; 3rd, $3.00, and 4th, $2.00 Scott's catalogue value according to want list of the 19th Century.

Once more, we call attention of the Branches not having appointed Managers to the advisability of doing so at an early date, in order to secure the benefit of the large number of books which are in circulation. Particulars will be furnished upon application.

Respectfully submitted,
PERCIVAL PARRISH, Sales Supt.

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BRANCH REPORTS.

Detroit.—The officers elected for the coming year, at the meeting held Oct. 14, were as follows: Pres., General Coolidge; Vice-Pres., Herbert Bowen; Sec. and Treas., C. F. Heyerman; Sales Supt., R. E. Smith; Executive Com., George W. Rice; Chairman, Dr. W. L. Babcock and S. E. Heineman. 17 members present. H. W. Fowler of Chicago and Henry Look of Detroit, were duly elected to membership. Treasurer's report showed a balance of $43.42 on hand. The Sales Supt.'s report shows that 119 books had been in circulation, valued at $1112.51, and a balance on hand of $23.83.—EUGENE TELFER, Sec. Pro Tem.

The Boston Philatelic Society.

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Meetings first (informal) and third (regular) Tuesdays, Room 322, Tremont Bdg., 7.30 P. M.

BOSTON, MASS., Nov. 12, 1910.

The 236th (regular) meeting of the society will be held at the Club Room on Tuesday evening, November 15th, at 7.30 o'clock.

There will be a competitive exhibition of Portuguese and Spanish Colonies, the former being especially timely in view of the recent political change in the mother country, and the prospect of stamp changes to follow. Collections may be left with Mr. E. F. Sawyer, 30 School St., or at the N. E. Stamp Co., 12 Bromfield St.

A special exhibition of the fine collection of Mauritius belonging to Mr. Geo. H. Worthington will be a feature of the evening.

The following candidate for admission will be voted upon:

MR. G. CARLTON RUSSELL.

Those remaining in town for the meeting will find companionship at the Crawford Café, 13 Brattle St., about 6 p. m.

C. A. HOWES, Sec.

IMPORTANT!

It is *due* time for 1910, and some of the members are advised that there is a membership card awaiting them at the Treasurer's, 771 Hancock St., Wollaston, Mass.

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NEW YORK, Nov. 3, 1910.

The meeting was called to order at 9 p. m. Our ex-secretary, Mr. Klein of Philadelphia, honored the society with his presence and entertained with a few very timely remarks. Mr. Singer donated a stamp, "French Offices in China, No. 831, catalogue $4.00," which will be raffled off at the next meeting, Nov. 17th. A paper entitled "The Physiology of Stamp Experts," will also be read at the next meeting. The competitive exhibition of Hawaiian Islands will be held on Dec. 15th. The following nominations for officers will be voted upon at the annual meeting, Dec. 1st: Pres., George Skinner; Vice Pres., Max Isenstein, Julius Levy, Arnold Herrmann; Sec., Henry J. Dicke; Treas., Baldwin Schlesinger; Lib., Henry J. Meininger, Julius Levy, Emil Penschow; Trustees, Prof. Chas. Becker, John A. Klemann, Julius Levy, H. M. Lewy, Theodore Steinway.

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By WM. WARD.

New British Stamps.—I hear from an official source that the new stamps will not be issued until May next year. With one or two exceptions the colors will remain as before, and a couple of new values are likely to make their appearance. The style of design will be of the "simple" kind, not dissimilar from the new 7p gray black, which, by the way, is unobtainable at many postoffices,—postmasters being informed that no further printing has been, or will be, made. There is little demand for this stamp and postmasters will not fill in on their requisition forms,preferring the old conservative way of a six penny and one penny to make seven pence!

Discontinuance of Gibbons Weekly.—Mr. Phillips of *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* has decreed that the current volume shall be the last. Mr. Phillips says that the journal did not pay and that it never got to the greater circulation of some of the Continental stamp journals. How can he expect a circulation in Great Britain equal to that enjoyed by *Senf Brothers' Journal*, which he quotes? The latter paper circulates not only in the German Empire,—with four times as many collectors as in Great Britain, if not more—but in Russia, Italy, Austria, Hungary, Balkan and Scandinavian States and Holland. For some time *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* has not contained matter that appeals to the general collector. The best days of *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* were enjoyed under the editorship of Messrs. Nankivell and Phillips and provisionally under Percy Barnsdall. The former left in order to run a journal of his own; the second, a brilliant philatelic writer, ceased work on leaving the firm of Gibbons. A philatelic journal, like any other, must contain copy that appeals to the mass. There are many stamp periodicals that are trade journals and if Mr. Phillips ever thought he could run a profitable one for his firm, without the necessity of up-to-dateness, smart ads and special offers, he has now seen his mistake. Had *G. S. W.* been under the regime of the Gibbons' Broadway Branch, I guess that it would not now, in its sixth year, be ceasing publication because "it didn't pay".

That Newfoundland Set.—This is a fine example of English typographical, or lithographic, art! The directors of the American Bank Note Company must be gnashing their teeth at this excelling of their fine work! Even the native lithographers of Bogota would be insulted at the issue.

Philately in the English Newspapers.—Many English newspapers are running special philatelic articles in their columns. These are written mostly by philatelic writers, and besides creating a deal of interest, are really proving to be the cause of recruits to our hobby. This month's (October) issue of the *Stamp Collector* has a very fine article on "The Penny Post", which was taken from the *Manchester Evening News*, the first great British daily to occasionally give philatelic articles. Though many may think that the subject of the "Penny Post" must by this time be worn threadbare, the article in question is perhaps the best that has ever been written. It goes to prove that the origin of penny postage owes its success to the advent of free trade in Great Britain more than anything else. It deals with the great Cobden, one of the founders of free trade, and of Birmingham, which in those days was not predominated by those poorly balanced minds that fear a German invasion. No one should be able to realize the benefits of free trade better than the American stamp dealer. Today he can buy stamps where he will and sell cheaper to his customers and compete successfully against the European dealer. Those old established American dealers who remember the days of a duty on stamps for collections would never be likely to care for those days to come back. It is the same in all business and trades—protection helps a minority and throttles a majority. Penny postage between Great Britain and the States is purely on account of "blood". But it has bound Great Britain closer than the old Colonial days.

The U. S. S. A. Stamps.—This has nothing to do with the great Republic. It is the title of the new special 2½p stamp of the United States of South Africa, issued to commemorate the unification of the British South Africa Colonies. It may be of interest to note that

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TWENTIETH CENTURY MAURITIUS.

By D. B. Armstrong.

Known as the "Star and Key of the Indian Sea," Mauritius lies some 500 miles to the east of the island of Madagascar, and rather more than 1,000 from the nearest point on the African coast.

It has a total area of 705 square miles exclusive of its dependencies, and a population of 375,385, largely composed of Indian and Chinese coolies, who are employed in large numbers on the numerous sugar plantations which the island contains.

Maritius is a Crown Colony and is administered by a Governor, assisted by an Executive Council of five members, a Council of Government, and a local Legislative Council. Most of the white inhabitants are of French descent, and French is chiefly spoken.

The following small groups of islands in the Indian Ocean are dependencies of Mauritius: Rodrigues, Diego Garcia, and Chagos.

Mauritius is chiefly notable to philatelists by reason of its first issue of postage stamps, known as the "Post Office" Mauritius, which are among the rarest and most famous postage stamps extant.

Stamps first issued September 21st, 1847.

Entered Universal Postal Union April 1st, 1877.

Imperial Penny Postage adopted . ? 1902.

The first postal emissions made by this colony during the twentieth century took the form of four additions to the series in the current Arms type which made their appearance during 1901.

1901.

Design: Arms of colony as above. Wmk. Crown C A (single). Perf. 14. Value in second colour. Dates of issue appended in brackets.

1c, grey and black (August, 1901).
2c, dull and bright purple (July, 1901).
4c, purple and carmine on yellow (1901).
15c, green and orange (July, 1901).

Owing to a recent reduction in the postal rate to Great Britain and also for use in the prepayment of the registration fee, the want of a 12 cents stamp was keenly felt in the colony, and in order to temporarily meet this requirement, until a supply in the permanent type could be obtained from England, a provisional stamp of this value was extemporized, by overprinting the 18 cents of the issue of 1895 with the value "12 cents," in figures and words, in two lines. This stamp was surcharged locally, and placed on sale on January 24th, 1902. It was overprinted in panes of sixty, ten rows of six, the top three rows of which, and also No. 24 in the pane, had a single bar cancelling the original value, whilst the remainder had two such bars.

On some of the stamps a slight variation in the space between the figures "12" and the word "cents" may be found, which measures in some instances 4½ millimetres, instead of 3 only as in the normal.

January 24, 1902.

Provisional issue. The 18c of 1895 surcharged "12 cents" in two lines, with one or two bars obliterating the original value, in black. *Design: Arms of the colony. Wmk. Crown* C A *(single). Perf. 14.*

12c on 18c, green and ultramarine.

About 30,000 copies are said to have been issued.

In the summer of 1902 the colonial authorities of Mauritius decided to amalgamate their Postage and Revenue stamps and to issue in future a single series available for either fiscal or postal use. To this end a new series of stamps was ordered from England, of which all values were to be partially printed in doubly fugitive ink as a prevention against cleaning, and in the meantime, pending their receipt in the colony, certain of the current stamps were overprinted with the inscription "Postage & Revenue" to signify that they might be employed for either of these purposes.

In this connection also the following official communication was issued:

"The public is hereby informed that stamps heretofore used as postage stamps only, as well as further issues whether surcharged or not with the words 'Postage & Revenue' may be used for Postage and Revenue purposes.

(Signed) "L. S. R. du Verge,
"Acting Receiver-General.
26th June, 1902."

The stamps overprinted with the above inscription were of the values 4, 6, 15, 25 , 50 cents, and 2r 50c respectively, and belonged to various issues. The 4 and 15 cents were of the issue of 1900 and the 6 cents that of the year previous, these stamps all bore the design of the Arms of the colony. The remaining denominations had for their design the head of the late Queen Victoria, enclosed in various frames, and were of the issues of 1879-83.

They were surcharged locally in half-panes of thirty, excepting the 4 cents, which was overprinted in complete panes and had the side margins removed. Movable type was used, and that none of the best, for, though there are no important varieties, instances of broken and misplaced letters are frequent. All except the 4 and 6 cents were issued on July 7th, 1902, these two stamps following on the 16th of the same month. A second printing of the 4 cents only was made about September.

The reason why the lower denominations of 1, 2 and 3 cents did not receive this overprint was that there was no fiscal duty for which they could be employed, the separate revenue series which these stamps replaced having contained no stamp of a less value than 4 cents.

July 7th and 16th, 1902.

Stamps of 1879-80, 1883, 1899, 1900, overprinted "Postage & Revenue" vertically, in two lines, in black, *reading "Postage &" up on the left, and "Revenue" down on the right-hand side of the stamp. Wmks. Crown* C C. *and Crown* C A *(single). Perf. 14.*

4c lilac and carmine on yellow (540,000; second, 581,000).
6c, green and rose-red (180,000).
15c, green and orange (256,500).
25c, olive-bistre (73,560).
50c, green (54,540).
2r 50c, brown-purple (8400).

On September 22nd of the same year a further provisional stamp was issued. There being considerable stocks on hand, amounting in all to about 69,350 copies, of the large 36 cents Pictorial stamp, which was issued on May 23rd, 1898, in celebration of the Diamond Jubilee of the late Queen Victoria; and there being now little or no demand for that value in consequence of a general reduction in postal rates; it was decided to overprint these remainders with the value of 12 cents and so use them up, this value being much used.

This was accordingly done, the sheets being divided into blocks of thirty, ten rows of three, without side margins, and surcharged "12 cents" in two lines, in *black,* in type similar to that employed for the 12 cents on 18 cents listed above, with a long *black* bar through the original value tablet.

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September 22nd, 1902.

Provisional issue. The Jubilee stamp of 1898 surcharged "12 CENTS" in two lines, in black, *with a bar obliterating the original value.*

12c on 36c, orange and ultramarine (69,350).

Again there are no important varieties of surcharge, though there are some instances of broken type, etc.

The first values of the new Postage and Revenue series, the 8 and 12 cents, were issued on July 16th, 1902, and were followed at intervals during the next two years by ten other stamps of various denominations in the same type. The design employed for these stamps was that introduced in 1895 for the postal issues of Mauritius, and included the Coat of Arms of the colony. This consists of a shield with four quarterings, on the two upper of which are emblazoned a Sailing Ship and three branches of Sugar Cane, symbolizing the industry and overseas commerce of the island, whilst in the lower quarterings appear respectively a Star and a Key, having reference to the motto of the colony, which appears in full in the original Latin on the Jubilee stamp of 1898 "Stella Clavisque Maris Indici" ("Star and Key of the Indian Sea"). For the rupee values a new plate was prepared, of similar design, but larger, and having the Arms displayed on an elaborate background, and the inscription "POSTAGE & REVENUE" added in ornamental scrolls on either side; the lower value stamps bearing no indication of the purpose for which they are available. According to *The Colonial Office Journal* supplies of stamps in this design, with the duty labels left blank, are kept in stock at the local Treasury, the values being printed in locally as required. The sheets of the cents values contain 120 stamps, in two panes of sixty side by side, each of ten rows of six, and those of the rupee denominations consist of a single pane of sixty only, five rows of twelve. By error a supply of the 4 cents, amounting to 1,213,440 copies, sufficient to meet a whole year's demand, was printed in *green and violet,* whilst a first printing of the 5 cents, amounting to 19,000 stamps in all, was issued in *lilac and violet on buff,* rendering it liable to be confused in a poor light with the current 2 cents, printed in the same colours on *white* paper. The second supply therefore had the value inserted in *black.*

1902-4.

Arms design. Wmk. Crown CA (single). Perf. 14. Value in second colour. Typographed by Messrs. De La Rue and Co. in London. Approximate dates of issue inserted in brackets.

3c, green and carmine on yellow (April 30th, 1904).
4c, grey-green and violet (September, 1903).
4c, black and carmine on blue (October 14th, 1904).
5c, lilac and violet on buff (October 8th, 1902).
5c, lilac and black on buff (February, 1903).
6c, lilac and carmine on red (May, 1903).
8c, green and black on buff (July 16th, 1902).
12c, grey-black and carmine (July 16th, 1902).
15c, black and blue on blue (December, 1905).
25c, green and carmine on green (October 8th, 1902).
50c, dull green and deep green on yellow (October 8th, 1902).

Wmk. Crown CC. Large type.

1r, grey-black and carmine on grey (October 8th, 1902).

Wmk. Crown CA sideways twice.

2r 50c, green and black on blue (October 8th, 1902).
5r, lilac and carmine on red (October 8th, 1902).

Varieties. Inverted watermark.

4c black and carmine on blue.
6c, lilac and carmine on red.

In 1904-5 three of the low values of this series were issued with the Multiple Crown CA watermark, on unsurfaced paper.

1904-5.

Design as before. Wmk. Multiple Crown CA. Unsurfaced paper. Value in second colour. Dates of issue appended in brackets.

2c, lilac and violet (January 2nd, 1905).
4c, black and carmine on blue (February, 1905).
6c, lilac and carmine on red (July, 1904).

These, and several other values, are now printed on the new chalk-surfaced paper.

1906-8.

Designs, watermark, and perf. as last. Chalk-surfaced paper. Value in second colour. Dates of issue appended in brackets.

1c, grey and black (September 30th, 1907).
2c, lilac and violet (February 15th, 1906).
3c, green and carmine on yellow (February 15th, 1908).
4c, black and carmine on blue (July 20th, 1906).
6c, lilac and carmine on red (May 28th, 1907).
15c green and blue on blue (August 14th, 1907).
50c, green and carmine on green (February 7th, 1908).
1r, grey and carmine on grey (May 8th, 1907).

Shade.

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Wmk. Crown CA (single).

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EDITORIAL.

Up to the Moment—In the old days, the post-office department was accused of being slow to adopt progressive measures but the present administration by no means is to be taxed with unenterprise. According to an Associated Press despatch, permission has been granted to A. J. McCurdy to carry the United States mails by aeroplane from "the outgoing trans-Atlantic liner Kaiserine Auguste Victoria to the New York post office," Saturday, November 12th, when that vessel is fifty miles at sea. A later telegram says that the Pennsylvania is the liner selected as the base of operations; it is to sail at noon and the flight is to begin about 3 o'clock. It is said: "McCurdy will carry a special mail pouch filled with letters written on light weight paper. His take-off is to be from a plank runway eighty-five feet long, extending out over the stern of the ship." The post-office department received an offer to carry the mails by "flying-machine" from an ingenious citizen so early as some time in the late '40's but it did not avail itself of the offer.

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Postal Notes—A reader who sends for inspection a postal card of the current type with an impress of the McKinley head at either end has an oddity in the specimen only for the reason that the card is cut in the ordinary size. Had the card been of abnormal length, it would be assumed that it had been cut from a sheet of the cards as furnished to printers. Some years ago, "freak" cards made from the large sheets were circulated from several sources and were accepted for a time by uninformed collectors as legitimate "errors." The new one-cent domestic reply card, known as No. 6, is to be issued in sheets of twenty-four for printing purposes; and each sheet will be four cards wide by six cards long. The department cautions those who buy the cards in sheets to be careful to cut the cards to regulation size; otherwise they are invalid for postage. We believe that this is the first reply-card to be printed in sheets for the accomodation of large users. We learn that paper-stock troubles have curtailed the production of the new ordinary cards. Captain Brian, the deputy public printer, says: "Paper is a peculiar substance. One roll will work all right, the next will curl up when the postals are printed, and the third will again be O. K.'d and all from the same batch at the mill. Like ox-tail soup, if paper is not properly seasoned, it is simply spoiled." The contractor has encountered many disappointments in producing the exact grade of paper demanded by the authorities.

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The First One Cent—The English specialist in United States issues whose inquiries concerning plate-lines on the sheets of the 1894 type and the lines on the sheets of the three-cent, 1851, elicited important information from several of the more advanced of our keen students of United States stamps, notably Mr. Luff, Mr. Morris and Dr. Chase, addressed us some months ago, on the subject of the types of the one-cent, 1851, as follows: "'Types I and II come from two different transfer rolls (Nos. 46 and 47), though both are from the same original die.' Mr. Luff in his 'Postage Stamps of the U. S.', p. 68. I have been told that both types were on the same plate. 1. Is this so? and if so, (2) In what proportion to one another were the two types used on the same plate? 3. Can you say which plate or plates showed both types?"

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Fact and Theory.—The queries were referred to a collector for whom the one-cent, 1851, has a strong attraction and who for some time has been gathering and studying the stamps. He has been kind enough to send us notes on the queries with the request that we "string them together and apologize for his delay in sending the information, if it deserves to be called so." We do both. "Both types I and II, 1851, (1857-60) were on the same plate. I have no pair, strip or block, showing types I and II together, in the 1851 issue but types I and II of the perforated variety, *se tenant*, are available. In this connection, type III is not considered; for the sake of simplicity, it is eliminated, having been caused, *vide*, Luff, by not 'rocking' the transfer roll, 'sufficiently far,' thus making it a plate variety of type II. It will not be argued, of course, that types I and II of the perforated one-cent do not prove the existence, when in unsevered relation, or the printing of types I and II, imperforate, from the same plate. As to what proportion to one another were the two types used on the same plate, I cannot say, neither can I tell which plate (or plates) showed both types. One may say that the ratio of type I to type II was small, indeed. The one-cent has not been plated, although it may be suspected that attempts to reproduce the scheme are under way. There is no sheet of the one-cent intact, including type I among its stamps, of which I know; and I have no record of type I, with marginal plate number. It is possible that this data will be supplemented by your readers.

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Probably the First—New York's great fire of 1835 destroyed building covering an area of fifty acres on which the most valuable business edifices of the city had stood; and among them was the Merchants' Exchange, Wall Street, in which the post-office was located. After the fire, the post-office was installed in the Rotunda, City Hall Park, but its distance from the business centre made it advisable to establish a letter delivery in the new Merchants' Exchange. The merchants paid two cents extra on each letter and one cent on each newspaper and the amount collected paid the letter-carriers' charges. It becomes apparent, therefore, that so early as 1836, what to all intents and purposes was a private post was in operation. Greig's City Post was organized in New York on January 1st, 1842, and it is asserted that Hale's post was established "at a still earlier date, but did not use stamps." Unless the "earlier date" of Hale's post extended back to 1836, the public-spirited merchants of New York may claim the credit of having been pioneers in this regard. However, the times were "panicky" and not a few firms collapsed owing the letter-carriers various sums, in some instances so much as one hundred and fifty dollars, it is said. As much of this money was never paid, the debtors were "irretrievably ruined," according to the chronicles of a historian.

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The envelope contains the inscription "Aeroplane Mail" in bold letters with two other explanatory lines reading:—"Hamburg-American Line at Sea, via Air Route to United States." An interesting feature in connection with the envelope is that it is postmarked "Rutherford, N. J., Nov. 13, 1910."

The letter from Mr. Steinmetz will be of interest to our readers and we greatly appreciate his kind remembrance of the WEEKLY.

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* 76	1883, 25 on 5, net work	.75	.25
10	Dutch Indies 1870, 2½g gr. & vio.	.35	.15
* 13	1876, 2c vio. br'n	.50	.20
* 20	1883, 5c green	.25	.10
* 31	1899, 10 on 10c gray	.08	.05
* 32	12½ on 12½ blue	.12	.07
* 33	15 on 15 brown	.15	.09
* 34	20 on 20 green	.18	.12
* 2	Ecuador 1865, ½r blue	.25	.08
5	1865, 1r green	.35	.15
* 90	1897, 50c orange	.50	.15
*98	50c "	.50	.15
*115	1c rose	.08	.03
*123	2c blue	.25	.08
*124	5c green	.30	.10
*125	10c ochre	.40	.12
*667	Official, 2c orange	.10	.05
*679	10c "	.15	.06
*680	20c "	.20	.08
*681	50c "	.30	.12
*775	Vathy 1894, 5c green	.35	.10
* 24	French Colonies 1877, 1c green	60	.25
* 27	1877, 40c red	.30	.20
* 39	1879, 2c brown	.35	.15
* 40	4c claret	.75	.30
* 6	Gambia 1880, 1d maroon	.25	.15
* 12	1887, ½d green	.06	.03
* 13	1d carmine	.18	.08
* 14	2d orange	.30	.15
* 15	2½d blue	.25	.15
* 16	3d slate	.40	.18
* 17	4d brown	.35	.20
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THE NEW NEWFOUNDLAND SET.

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—Clippings acknowledged with thanks from F. R. Albrecht and A. C. Stewart.

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5 " blue	"	.04
10 " brown	"	.06
12 " vermilion	"	.07
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Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

ITEMS FROM THE ENGLISH PRESS.

By CHARLES E. JENNEY.

In a reprinted article copied from an old magazine of "Forty Years Ago" by the *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly*, appears this rather startling information: "We may remark here that the head on the Chilians, so long concluded to be that of Columbus, turns out to represent Don Ramon Freyre, a celebrated democratic leader, director of the republic in 1823. The word Colon over the portrait gave rise to the absurd idea of the depicting of the great navigator; but we have every reason to believe that it simply implies that letters from Chili are sent across the isthmus of Panama to Colon, generally called Aspinwall, in due course of transit to the eastern world." This theory seems quite untenable, but on the other hand it seems unlikely that the portrait is that of Columbus, for it is totally unlike any known representation of him. Cannot some Chilian philatelist stop collecting Juan Fernandez surcharged pesos long enough to throw some new light on this subject?

Speaking of the Portuguese situation, the *S. C. F.* thus philosophizes: "One is sorry for Manuel but it is doubtful whether Manuel is sorry for himself. He is coming to England to live the quiet life of a country gentleman in the sweet vicinity of Wood Norton. Free from all fear of knife or bomb or pistol, he will be able to settle down quietly and soberly to his stamp album, and we shall even hope to see him assisting occasionally at the meetings of the Royal Philatelic Society,—a society which already owes him a debt of gratitude for a most generous gift of Portuguese stamps. After all, no philatelist wants to be bothered with a crown!—unless it be a large crown, perf. 16." How about Edward VII?

From the *Postage Stamp* of Oct. 22nd, we learn that Germany is following the suit of the United States by installing printing presses that will print their stamps in strips for rolls for the stamp vending machines. So we may look before long for German part perforates and imperforates.

We are surprised and disappointed to read in C. J. Phillips' *Topical Notes* that *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* is going to be discontinued at the end of the year. But the disappointment is tempered by the information that the *Stanley Gibbons Monthly Journal* is to be taken up again. The reason given for this move is that the *Weekly* is too expensive an experiment, besides burdensome to keep supplied with good new matter. He states that the maximum circulation has never exceeded 8,000 copies a week, and that the publication involves the loss of about $6,000 a year. This seems rather large to us. We should suppose that each large nation could support one weekly stamp journal.

Mr. Phillips states that he believes the Germans read more philatelic literature and that he has authority for the belief that Senf's fortnightly publication has more than twice the circulation enjoyed by his own paper.

Gibbons Stamp Weekly reports a discovery in the Jamaica shilling value, in which the S of Shilling either through design or through scratching in engraving, resembles the $ sign. It was first found on the CA issue and after being searched for was later found on the CC issue and the pine-apple issue, proving to the finder that one and the same plate had been used in printing all three issues and that no other plate has ever been used.

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South Australia

Nos. 144, 145, 146	$0.11
No. 148, 3d olive	.09
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151, 6d blue green	.16
152, 8d pale blue	.20
155, 1sh dark brown	.32

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Nicaragua 1910, Vale, 10c on 15c blk	$0.10
Salvador 1910, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10c	.10
Ecuador 1907, triangle set, used	.75
" 1909, Independence, 1c to 10c	.15
Chile 1905, 12c lake, mint	.65
" " 1c to 50c, including 12c	.75
" " 5c Impuesto on 30c green	.15
" " 20c " " 30c "	.25
Uruguay 1909, Provisional, 8 on 10c	.15
" " " " 23 " 25c	.25
Bolivia 1909, Centenary, 1 to 20c, mint	.20
" " " 1 " 20c, used	.17

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DEPARTMENTAL FRANKS AND PAID PERMITS.

By Percy McG. Mann.

That a collection of Paid Permits is every bit as interesting as the collecting of precancels must be admitted, because the permits actually paid postage, whereas the precancels simply cancel the stamps used to pay postage. The comparison can also be made between the departmental franks and precancels. The franks carry the mail matter, whereas, as before stated, the precancels merely cancels the stamps. Now the whole matter rests in the manner in which these things are collected. It is admitted that the precancelled stamps can be soaked from covers without injuring the value of the stamps and that they can then be mounted in an album making a display of a collection. But to collect permits and franks in an entire state would be too voluminous an undertaking. Take envelope stamp collecting. There are many collecting them cut square, and no doubt many collecting them entire, but we believe there are more collecting them in the cut square condition than entire.

It has been suggested by a collector of permits and franks to collect and mount them as follows: When the cover bearing the permit is received, take the cover and cut out the Paid Permit like you would cut a cut square envelope, then cut out the business card or return card in the same manner. First having measured the size of the cover, whether it is envelope or wrapper, make a note of the size, and then mount the Permit and the Card, making a note of the date received and the size of cover or wrapper. In this way you can form a very nice collection of a side-line, and you will find it very interesting. Treat the departmental franks in the same manner.

CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

Edited by Henry A. Kidder.

Any information regarding new issues will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Address HENRY A. KIDDER, 17 Addison St., Arlington, Mass. Letters calling for a reply should contain a self-addressed, stamped envelope. We cannot give applicants the addresses of our correspondents.

United States.—Charles A. Jenkins has shown us specimens of the current 2c envelope, with a colorless line starting from the lowest point of the front of the bust and running perpendicularly downward as far as the bottom of the "O" in "Two," and thence in a diagonal direction to the right, through to the outside of the design. The varying shape and position of this line shows that it was a defect in printing and not a crack in the plate.

Bolivia.—The current 20c stamp, Scott's No. 86, has appeared in a new color, Hermann Focke having shown us a specimen in blue and black instead of violet and black. The centre has apparently been retouched.

Adhesive.

20c blue and black.

Cayman Islands.—*Ewen's Weekly* reports having seen the current 6d stamp in pale purple instead of dark lilac.

Chile.—No further addition to the new commemorative set has been shown us this week, but we are indebted to Hermann Focke and Jack Newton, Jr., for specimens of the values previously chronicled.

Colombia.—*Champion's Bulletin* gives the following as the quantities printed of the commemorative stamps: ½c, 200,000; 1c, 606,000; 2c, 1,600,000; 5c, 460,000; 10c, 35,000; 20c, 25,000; 1p, 8000; 10p, 8000; 5c AR, 8000; 10c registration stamp, 50,000.

Manizales.—Champion's Bulletin chronicles a provisional stamp for this city. It is typeset, with such rules and fancy border as might be picked up in any country printing office. The inscriptions read, "Correos — Urbanos. — ½ CV. — Manizales," in four lines, between plain rules.

Provisional Adhesive.

½c carmine on blue.

Congo.—Further specimens of the bilingual stamps are reported by *Ewen's Weekly.*

Adhesives.

40c blue green and black.
50c green and black.
1fr rose and black.
3fr red and black.
5fr lake and black.
10fr green and black.

Gold Coast.—*Champion's Bulletin* chronicles the 2sh value in the new colors.

Adhesive.

2sh violet and ultramarine on blue.

New Hebrides.—*La Circulaire Philatélique* quotes a letter from the Postmaster, Port Vila, stating that the first supply of New Caledonian stamps overprinted "Condominium" had then just arrived but was not yet in issue. Moreover it comprises only the values 5c, 10c, and 1f, so that it is rather doubtful whether the values 25c and 50c will be issued at all elsewhere than at the Colonial Office in Paris.

Portugal.—The *London Daily Telegraph* says:

"There has been a considerable demand in the London stamp shops for the current series of Portugal. Although the stamps bearing the portrait of King Manuel are still in use, very few of the dealers have been able to secure supplies adequate to the popular demand. An event of such importance as the late revolution must always forecast a change in the postage stamps of any country, and collectors who have hitherto neglected to procure the stamps hasten to fill the blanks in their albums in case they should be quickly superseded.

I learn from a Portuguese correspondent that the expected change in the stamps of Portugal will be introduced as early as possible. The stamps now in use, all of which bear King Manuel's portrait, will be overprinted with a Republican inscription. The overprint will read 'Republica' simply, and it is likely to be introduced in a few days. The Manuel stamps thus overprinted will serve as a temporary convenience until a regular Republican issue can be put in circulation. The stamps of the various colonies of Portugal will be similarly overprinted at an early date."

Roumania.—The *Timbre-Poste* announces that a series of stamps is shortly to be issued to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the founding of the University of Jassy. The actual date was Oct. 26, 1910, but the issue of the stamps has been put forward until May, 1911. The stamps have been designed by M. Niger, the Roumanian painter, and represent personages and scenes connected with the University. The values will be 1, 2, 5, 10, 15, 25, 40 and 50 bani.

Russia.—*Offices in the Levant.*—In order to use up the remainders of the 5k stamps of 1889, on horizontally laid paper, the stamps have been surcharged diagonally, "20 Para," in blue.

Adhesive.

20pa on 5k lilac.

THE 6c NEWFOUNDLAND GUY ISSUE.

We have received the following information from Mr. A. C. Roessler:

"For some time it has been known that the current 6 cent Newfoundland of the John Guy issue would be a good buy. Rumors to the effect that this particular value would be cornered have been going the rounds on Nassau St. for several weeks.

It is now reported that the stamp is no longer on sale. In fact, as proof, it may be stated that a local dealer sent for 100 sets, and upon receiving the shipment, found 60 Guy and 40 Cabot 6 cent stamps. If other rumors are to be believed the stamp is 'protected and there will be no more issued, the 6 cent Cabot being pressed into service.'"—*Phila. Stamp News.*

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Barbados, 2 pence gray	$0.06
" 1sh on green	.35
Siam 1908, 3 on 3, 6 on 5, the 2 for	.30
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5		5p lilac and blue	.50	.20
10	1893	2p green	2.00	1.15
11		2½p carmine	.50	.20
12		5p gray lilac	2.00	1.00
13		1sh black	2.00	1.25
17		2p carmine	.50	.20
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20		1sh black	.75	.32

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" " 2p purple, rare	.08
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Br. Guiana 1908, 1 or 2c, or 1909 2c, fine	.01
Malta 1908, ½ or 1p, no figs., or ¼p, mult	.01
Gold Coast, new 3p on yellow	.05
(For more W. Africa bargains, see our American Circular).	
Perak 1895, 3c on 5c rose (cat. 10c)	.05
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" 1892, 1c to 1p, 11 var.,	cat.	.46
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2	1851-56, 1c Type II, vertical strip of 3 on cover, two rubbed, one slightly	1.20
3	1861, 30c orange, off centre, fair	.75
4	1861-62, Nos. 71, 73 and 78 on cover, all damaged	1.45
5	1862-66, 5c brown	.60
6	1867, 12c black, No. 97, off centre, tear at bottom	.75
7	1867, 15c black, No. 98	1.00
8	1869, 6c blue, fair copy	.75
9	1869, 24c, off centre, heavily cancelled	5.00
10	30c Columbian, used, good	.50
11	50c Columbian, u ed, good	.50
12	1902, 1c imperf. pair on cover, fine	..
13	1903, 2c imperf. on cover, fine	..
14	1902-03, 1c and 2c, imperf. pairs, unused	.36
15	1909, 1c imperf. pair on cover, fine	..
16	Post Office 15c, white pa., off cen., good	1.00
17	Newspaper stamps, set as sold by the Govt. at $5, fine set, no straight edges	..
18	Postal Telegraph Cable Co. 1897, unused block of 4	.80
19	Western Union franks, Nos. 2188, 2190, 2191, 2193 and 2195, unused blocks of 4	1.00
	U. S. ENVELOPES	
20	Env. 1853-55, 3c on white, Die 5, fine, used entire	..
21	Env. 1853-55, 10c green on buff, Die 2, cut square	2.00
22	Env. No. 1524, unused, entire	.40
23	Env. No. 1529, unused, entire	.40
24	Env. 1899, 2c, Die A, used entire	..
25	Env. 1899, 2c on 1894 paper, used entire	..
26	14 varieties Civil War Illustrated Envelopes, unused	..
27	9 var. Spanish War Envelopes, unused	..
	U. S. REVENUES	
28	2c blue Express, 5c Certificate, 5c Express and 5c Inland Exch., all imperf.	1.10
29	5c Certificate, 5c Express, 10c Power of Atty. and 10c Inland Exch., part perf.	.90
30	5c Inland Exchange, 15c Inland Exch. and 20c Inland Exchange, part perf	.40
31	15c Foreign Exchange, fine, perf	.60
32	20c Foreign Exchange, imperf	1.00
33	20c Inland Exchange, imperf	1.00
34	25c Bond and 25c Ins., part perf., good	.75
35	25c Certificate, 25c Power of Atty. and 25c Entry of Goods, part perf	.85
36	25c Entry of Goods and 25c Power of Atty., imperf	.50
37	25c Insurance and 50c Original Process, imperf., fine	.65
38	25c Insurance, part perf., good margins	.25
39	25c Insurance, part perf., five good copies	1.25
40	25c Insurance, part perf., 10 aver. copies	2.50
41	30c Inland Exchange, imperf., trimmed close and creased	.60
42	40c Inland Exchange and 50c Conveyance, part perf., fine	.60
43	50c Conveyance, ultra., off centre, good	.60
44	50c Entry of Goods, part perf., good margins, fine	2.00
45	50c Entry of Goods, part perf., five average copies	10.00
46	50c Lease, imperf., fine	1.25
47	50c Mortgage, part perf., pair	2.00
48	50c Mortgage, part perf., fine	1.00
49	50c Mortgage, part perf., good mar., fine	1.00
50	50c Mortgage, five average copies	5.00
51	50c Surety Bond, ultra., off centre, good	.50
52	50c Surety Bond, part perf., uncancelled, perforations cut into right; beautiful bright copy, with wide margins top and bottom	..
53	50c Surety Bond, part perf., fine	.75
54	50c Surety Bond, part perf., five average copies	3.75
55	$1.00 Manifest, perf., good	.60
56	$1.00 Probate of Will, perf., fine	1.25
57	$1.30 Foreign Exchange, slight tear, otherwise fine	.75
58	$1.90 Foreign Exchange, perf	1.00
59	$2 Probate of Will, one straight edge	1.00
60	Marchand's Proprietary, 1898, 1¼c, 1⅞c, 2½c and 3½c, rouletted	1.60
61	22 varieties Revenues, all damaged	1.57
	FOREIGN	
62	Guam, 1c used, 2c unused, fine	.50
63	Guam, 4c unused, fine	1.00
64	Guam, 5c unused, fine	.50
65	Guam, 8c unused, fine	1.25
66	Mauritius, No. 46, unused, fine	.50
67	McGreeley's Express, Dyea-Skaguay, 10 copies, unused, no gum	..
68	Foreign Envelopes and Wrapper, 75 varieties, cut square, used and unused	..
	FOREIGN STAMPS ON COVERS	
69	Belgium, Nos. 59 and 62, on cover, good	..
70	Brazil, pair 300 reis green and black on cover	..
71	Br. Honduras, 2 copies, No. 59, on cover, fine	..
72	Canada, Nos. 53 and 54 on cover, fine	..
73	Chile, pair of No. 36, pair of No. 42 and No. 41 on cover, fine	..
74	Chile, 15 copies of No. 103, on cover, one torn	..
75	Colombia, beautiful pair of No. 182 and No. 260 on cover	..
76	Confederate, 5c No. 200 on cover, rubbed at top	..
77	Danish West Indies, strip of 4, No. 33, on cover, very fine	..
78	Danish West Indies, card with diagonal lower left half of No. 21, used as 2c	..
79	Same, lower right half, used as 2c	..
80	Egypt, Nos. 40 and 42, and pairs of Nos. 43 and 46 on cover	..
81	Soudan, Nos. 618, 619 & 623 on cover, fine	..
82	France, cover with two copies of No. 33	..
83	France, cover with Nos. 53, 59 and 63	..
84	France, cover with two copies of No. 59 and one of No. 63	..
85	France, blocks of 4, used, of Nos. 90, 103 and 105 on cover, with one copy of No. 90	..
86	Gt. Britain, four wrapper and post card stamps, cut square and used on covers	..
87	Guadeloupe, pair No. 34 on cover, sup'b	..
88	Japan, used 2s Envel., curious markings	..
89	Malta, 2d Registration Env., with fine copies of Nos. 9 and 12	..
90	Mexico, Nos. 298, 299 and 300 on cover, with registration stamp	..
91	New Caledonia, 6 copies of No. 55 on cover, one torn	..
92	New Caledonia Nos. 56, 57, 92 and 93 on cover	..
93	Salvador, No. 343 on cover	..
94	Straits Settlements, beautiful pair of No. 97 on cover	..
95	Transvaal, beautiful pair of No. 147 on cover	..
96	Transvaal, No. 215 on cover, "Passed Press Censor," dated "Pretoria"	..
97	Same, dated "Johannesburg"	..
98	West Australia, Official Env. with 2½d stp., and Frank of the Perth Museum	..
99	West Australia 2½d and 3d on cover	..
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INDIA 4a 1854 INVERTED HEAD.

By Bertram W. H. Poole.

Probably of none of the great rarities has so little been written as the few meagre notes on the stamp which forms the subject of our present sketch. It is a rarity of the greatest value and importance, but beyond a short paragraph in the *Monthly Journal* relating to the discovery of two copies used on the same envelope, the philatelic press seems to have exercised a strange unanimity in ignoring its existence. I have carefully examined the files of old periodicals, but cannot trace when the first copy of the error was discovered and noted. Certainly it is not mentioned in the lists of varieties, "compiled from official sources," published in the *Stamp Collectors' Magazine* and *Philatelic Record* of the 'seventies.

The only information available is that given by Mr. L. L. R. Hausburg, in "The Postage and Telegraph Stamps of British India." Mr. Hausburg tells in an interesting manner of the many serious difficulties which had to be overcome before the first set of locally produced stamps, of which series this 4a forms one, saw the light of day. After many experiments, Capt. H. L. Thuillier, Chief of the Lithographic Department of the Survey Office, succeeded in surmounting all obstacles, and ½a, 1a, 2a and 4a stamps were issued.

The value with which we are now concerned, the 4a., was printed in two colours, red for the inscribed frame, and blue for the portrait of the Queen in the centre. Capt. Thuillier commenced work on this value some time in July 1854, and in August a copper plate was engraved by a native named Numeroden. From this the lithographic stones were prepared, two being required, as the stamps were bi-coloured. The process proved very troublesome, as, of course, considerable care had to be exercised to keep the two impressions in proper register.

At first the stamps were printed in small sheets of twelve—three horizontal rows of four—the stamps being separated by blue dividing lines, with small rosettes at the points of intersection, as shown in our illustration. The first supply of the stamps of this type was delivered on October 28, 1854.

On April 2, 1855, Capt. Thuillier informed the Superintendent of Stamps that in future the 4a stamps would be printed in sheets of 24 instead of 12. Two days later a supply of 11,911 sheets was delivered, on which the stamps were arranged in four horizontal rows of six. There were no dividing lines, and the stamps were rather widely spaced, being 6 mm. apart horizontally and 4 mm. apart vertically.

This arrangement did not prove a success, as the stamps were too widely spaced, and consequently a third arrangement was tried. In this there were also 24 stamps to the sheet, but they were much closer together, being 2½ mm. apart horizontally and 2 mm. vertically.

It was in the first setting, the one with blue dividing lines in sheets of 12, that the error with inverted head occurred—probably in the first printing of all. It is sometimes imagined that the error was one occurring once in a sheet. This would, of course, mean that one of the transfers was placed upside down on the stone—an error that would be detected and corrected at once. On the other hand, it would be quite a simple matter to place one or more of the sheets upside down in printing the second impression, for such mistakes occur even nowadays, and occasionally elude the vigilance of the checkers, whose duty it is to throw out abnormal sheets. It is thus more than probable that the Indian error was caused in this way, and the fact that two copies were discovered, used on the same envelope, is strong evidence in support of this theory.—*West End Philatelist.*

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" " $2.00, mint, perfect, centered	3.00	2.25
" " $3.00 green, mint, perfect, centered	5.00	3.60
" " $4.00 carmine, mint, off center	5.50	3.90
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If you are a stamp collector, sit up and take notice. A new issue of United States postage is proposed. The government considers issuing a special stamp to take the place of the congressman's frank, or rubber stamp signature, on deadhead mail, and the ordinary printed frank on department mail.

Enough has been told in the past about the franking privilege to enable everyone to understand that it cuts into the post-office funds several millions of dollars annually. Every shred of mail handled by the department costs the country money, but the congressman's mail does not cost him anything. The congressman's mail goes free in practically unlimited amounts, carried as far and as promptly as any amount of prepaid postage will send the ordinary man's letter. The congressman appreciates this delightful graft immensely. Therefore he sends deadhead mail by the millions of dollars' worth to increase the postal deficit. And most of the franking privilege of the congressman is employed to further his selfish political plans.

It must have come to a pretty pass, indeed, when Frank H. Hitchcock, a politician of very practical career himself, suggests a check upon the privilege with a special stamp to take the place of the off-hand franking system.

Doubtless some sort of a stamp might place a restriction upon the abuse, but hardly the pretty thing the Bureau of Engraving would provide. What is needed is a stamp expressing its functions plainly and forcibly. It should not be gaudy, but neat, and still label the graft as the imposition it is. The *Daily News* herewith offers a design to the postmaster general. (A human skull displacing the head of Washington, above "U. S. Deadheadage", below "One Frank".—Editor.) Observe that it looks like a postage stamp, but it isn't—just as a franked piece of mail might be paid for, but isn't. Run off a few reams of these and give them to the congressman.

Every time a congressman licks one of these U. S. Deadheadage stamps he will pause to consider what the man at home will think of that kind of postage added to the family stamp album.

Result: It would soon become so rare as to command a premium among philatelists.—*San Francisco Daily News.*

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APPLICATIONS PENDING.

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APPLICATION POSTED.

Urynowicz, Martin M., 932 Newton St., Chicago, Ill.; age 24; Spring Maker. Reference: Max M. Jassicki, 921 N. Western Ave., Chicago. Proposed by Chas. R. Morris, No. 2629.

Grosse, Elimar L., 2 South Denver Ave., Kansas City, Mo.; age 26. Reference: Wm. Volker Co., 308-20 W. 8th St., Kansas City. Proposed by Frank Bescher, No. 278.

Spaeter, Philip H., 1227 North 54th St., Philadelphia, Pa.; age legal; retired. Reference: Percy McG. Mann. Proposed by Philip H. Ward, Jr., No. 2234.

Crabtree, Perry E., 1066 10th St., Oakland, Calif.; age 30; Ticket Clerk; proprietor, California Stamp Co. References: W. H. Mahoney, Agent S. P. Co., Oakland, Calif.; H. T. Holmes, C. T. A., Western Pacific Ry., Oakland, Calif. Proposed by Edwin P. Seebohm, No. 2047.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3892. Moore, Robt. R., Kansas City, Mo.
3893. Renaut, Theo Louis, Philadelphia, Pa.

DEATH REPORTED.

2373. Lindsay, Rev. John, Haliburton, Ont., Canada. Reported by E. S. Martin.

RESIGNATION POSTED.

3398. Baker, Dwight B., Ottumwa, Ia.

RESIGNATIONS ACCEPTED.

2620. Wheeler, A. W., Chicago, Ill.
2523. Smith, Elmer F., Pontoosuc, Ill.
2578. Hess, Raymond P., Meriden, Ct.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

3104. Cook, Miss Elizabeth, from New York City to 318 So. 13th St., Easton, Pa.
2102. Royse, W. C., from Niagara Falls, N. Y., to 431 So. 5th St., Terre Haute, Ind.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY.

Total Membership, Oct. 29, 1910,		1744
New Stockholders admitted Nov. 5, 1910,	4	
New Stockholders admitted Nov. 12, 1910,	2	
	—	6
		1750
Resignations accepted Nov. 5,	2	
Resignations accepted Nov. 12, 1910,	3	
Death reported,	1	
	—	6
Total membership, Nov. 12, 1910,		1744

W. H. BARNUM, Sec.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

We have received the monthly report of the Treasurer, W. P. Wherry, and print herewith his summary of balance. We do not insert the report in detail as the summary seems to give all the actual facts needed:

Summary of Balances.

Stock Fund,	$3,637.66
Suspense Account,	31.00
American Philatelist,	272.77
Insurance Fund,	1,449.12
Exchange Fund,	65.35
	$5,455.90
Less General Fund deficit,	208.41
Total balance,	$5,247.49

Resources.

Bonds,	$2,612.34	
Cash,	2,635.15	
		$5,247.49

W. P. WHERRY, Treas.

CONSULAR FEE STAMPS.

By J. DELANO BARTLETT.

Prior to November 1st, 1906, the U. S. Consulates in foreign countries made a book record of the service done by them, as well as a book account of the fees collected. It was found that some of the records were not accurately kept and that many of the fees found their way to the pockets of the Consulates, instead of the treasury of the United States.

A new schedule of service fees of Consulates was adopted and went into effect November 1st, 1906. (This schedule was amended December 21, 1906, and June 7, 1909) and ordered that stamps to the total value of the fees collected should be affixed to the document. There are several duties which the Consulate is required to do without fee and there are 36 duties requiring a fee, which are grouped as follows:

2	requiring a payment of	$ .50
11	" " " "	1.00
12	" " " "	2.00
4	" " " "	2.50
1	" " " "	3.00
4	" " " "	5.00
1	" " " "	10.00

To comply with this order a set of 7 stamps all of the same design, printed in different colors, was issued in 1906 for the use of the Consulates, which are roughly described as follows.

Rectangular stamp, size 22x19 mm., double line frame border, "American" in straight line above, underneath of which is "Consular Service" in curved line. Central ornamental oval containing value in figures. "Fee stamp" at bottom. Perforated 12, on white wove paper.

$ .25	green
.50	carmine
1.00	violet
2.00	brown
2.50	dark blue
5.00	red brown
10.00	orange

The stamp has the appearance of being on tinted paper in the color in which the stamp is printed but this is due to improper wiping of the plates.

It will be noted that there is no fee that requires the payment of 25c, therefore the 25c stamp is used entirely in combination with other values to make up the odd fees.

I might add that these stamps are listed in "Forbin's Catalog" with only the $2.00 priced. My collection contains all values except the $10.00.—*The Stamp Journal.*

A FEW REAL BARGAINS

	Cat. Price.	Ours
U. S. 3c Play. Card, green, fine copy	$6.00	$2.25
Custom House, 20 to 90c complete	13.76	1.25
Argentine Republic 1892, 5 peso dark blue, No. 105, superb copy	.60	.29
1910 Centenary, ½, 2, 5c, set of 3	.05	.01½
* 5c rose, unused, mint	.06	.03
12c blue, fine copy, unused price is .15	..	.03½
***Brazil Offic'ls** 1906, from 10 to 2000r, all unus'd mint, fine copies, 11 var.	3.62	.96
Bolivia 1894, from 1 to 100c compl.	.33	.09
*Brunei 1906, 4 on 12c, mint	.20	.08
*Colombian Rep. 1904, 5 peso, mint, No. 357, rare	7.00	**1.75**
* 1904, 10 peso, mint, No. 358, rare	14.00	**3.50**
Last 2 together, **$5.00** (Cat. $21.00)		
***Chile** 1910, 5 on 12c, "Islas de Juan Fernandez", mint	?	.04½
* 1910, 10 on 1 peso, "Islas de Juan Fernandez", mint	?	.08
* 1910, 20 on 1 peso, "Islas de Juan Fernandez", mint	?	.15
* 1910, Jubilee, 2c carm. & blk., mint	?	.02
* " " 5c blue and black,"	?	.03½
Curacao 1903, 12½c blue, scarce	.08	.03
Costa Rica 1901, 1, 2, 5, 10, 20c, 5 var.	.17	.05
1901, 50c, scarce	.20	.06
1903, 25c lilac & brown, scarce	.12	.03½
Danish West Indies 1905, **30c Unpaid**, scarce	.15	.05
Dominican Rep., 12 fine varieties	.50	.20
10 fine varieties	.41	.15
***Dominica** 1879-84, 6p green, mint, No. 52	.50	.17
* 1879-84, 1s dp. lilac rose, mint, No. 53	2.00	.65
* 1883, 1p violet, mint, No. 54	.12	.04

	Cat. Price.	Ours
***Guatemala** 1882, 2c brown and green and 20c yellow and green **Parrot**, both mint	$0.15	$0.05
India (Deccan) 1908 Off., ½a green	.25	.03
(Deccan), 1908 Official, 1a carmine	.30	.03½
Japan 1906, 1½s blue, No. 108, postally used on Commemorative War Picture Card	..	.25
Italy 1903 Spec. Del. 25c rose, scarce	.10	.03½
North Borneo 1887-89, 25, 50c, $1, $2, $5, $10, $25, fine set of these scarce high values	6.80(?)	2.45
Siam 1909-10, 2, 2, 3, 6, 12, 14 satangs	.58	.20
***Somali Coast** 1903, 5fr vermilion and black, mint (face value .95)	1.60	.85
Straits Settlements 1904, $5.00 F. C., fine copy (unused price is $4.25)	..	.45
Same as last, **good** copy	..	.35
* Johore 1896, $1 green and carm., **mint**, perfect, Scott's No. 36a	3.00	1.25
Tunis Postal Packet 1906, 5, 10, 20, 25, 40, 50, 75c, 1 & 2fr, very pretty set of these beautiful stamps, 8 varieties	.55	.18
Venezuela 1900, 3b red brown (unused price is $1.10)	..	.25
* 1893, 5, 10, 25, 50c & 1, 3, 10b, 7 vars.	1.05	.35
1904, 5, 10, 25, 50c & 1b, 5 varieties, Scott's Nos. 207-211	.20	.06
1904, 5, 10, 25, 50c and 1b, Scott's Nos. 212-216, 5 vars	.22	.07
1904, 3 bolivars blue, No. 217	.50	.16
" 10 " violet, No. 218	1.50	.50
*Mexico 1910 Jubilee, 1, 2, 5, 10, mint	?	.18

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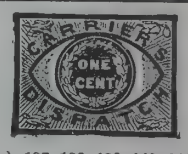

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YONKERS, N. Y., Nov. 7, 1910.

TO THE EDITOR:

In the philatelic literature for years the question of color charts or standards has been mentioned from time to time but as far as I know nothing has been accomplished.

Recently I had occasion to look up a chemical question in connection with dye-stuffs and I believe the matter of a color standard has been solved. There has recently been published (by John Wiley & Sons) Mulliken's "Identification of the Commercial Dyestuffs", which contains some color charts which seem to me to be a solution of the philatelists' color difficulties. I find that the three charts can be purchased separately for $1. The directions for their use are contained in the book but possibly the publishers could be induced to print them separately and sell the charts and directions for $1 or less if enough were taken.

D. D. BEROLZHEIMER, A.P.S. 3649.

GERMAN LOCAL CATALOGUE.

A correspondent addresses us: "What, if any, catalogue gives a list of German local stamps? I have a Stanley Gibbons catalogue of a dozen years back, which illustrates and prices very fully the local stamps of Russia, Norway, Sweden and Denmark. I have a fair-sized collection of German locals but in the absence of any list I am in doubt as to how to properly arrange them." Through the courtesy of a reader, we are enabled to say that a catalogue of German local stamps is published by Carl Sternheim, Schoeneberg, Berlin, Germany, at two marks and fifty pfennig. Since the suppression of the private local posts in Germany some years ago, the private local stamps seem to be disappearing from the surface and requests for information regarding them are received comparatively infrequently, nowadays.

REPRINTS OF SPECIAL ARTICLES.

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The State of North Carolina evidently found its stamps for illuminating oils unwieldy, for a new stamp has come to hand, of the same general design as the previous issue, but the stamp has been reduced in size from 226x98 mm. to 123x60 mm. Up to date only the 1c value has been seen, printed in the same color as previous 1c stamp, black on white.

On Feb. 25th, 1910, the State of South Carolina imposed a tax of 25c per ton on feed stuff. The law was to go into effect on May 1st. The Commissioner of Agriculture rushed an order to a lithographer for the necessary stamps. They appeared on time, but a grave error had been made, and the money value on the stamps was for a tax of 20c per ton. The Commissioner refused to issue the stamps in that condition, and the entire stock was destroyed. The plates were returned to the lithographer, who cut out the money value from the lower border, and a temporary supply was printed from the plates in that condition, and new plates were ordered prepared at once. The stamps printed from the mutilated plates were in use only one month. The number printed was small of any of the values, but of the 5 and 10 lb. stamps, there were but 100 of each. Three of the values were printed in tete-beche.

South Carolina Feed Stuff. Tax 25c per ton. Size 45x26.

5 lb. black on white.
(Same tete-beche.)
10 lb. black on white.
25 lb. brown on white.
(Same tete-beche.)
50 lb. black on white.
75 lb. violet blue on white.
100 lb. carmine on white.
(Same tete-beche.)

Some time in the latter part of May, the corrected set appeared. The size was reduced to 42x24 mm. The colors and lb. values remain the same, but the proper monetary value was inserted in the lower frame work of the stamp. And it is an odd set of values, namely ⅝ mill, 1¼ mill, 3⅛ mill, 6¼ mill, 9⅜ mill and 1¼c.

This information was obtained from J. D. Bartlett, who is the owner of the only existing tete-beche pair of the 5 lb. provisional issue.

The following tin foils, Series of 1910, are to be added to the list as published in No. 1032 of the WEEKLY:

B. Payn's Sons, Golden Strawberry, 1 oz. gold on bright.
Shields and Son, Sweet Cavendish, 1 oz. gold on bright.
P. Lorillard Company, Peerless (Dark), 1 oz. blue on bright.
Amer. Tobacco Co., Navy, 1 oz. blue on bright.
" " " 1½ " " "

On the 1½ oz. Navy there occurs a very curious error. The stamp has been changed so that the amount reads 1½ oz., but the rest of the foil remains unchanged, and the old reading, "One and two thirds ounces", in full letters, still remains. The error has been pointed out to the printers of the foils, and will undoubtedly be corrected for the next printing. It remains to be seen if the error is to be a rarity.

Mr. Lawrence writes that he has seen a used copy of a hitherto unlisted foil of the Series of 1875.

Lane, Allen & Co., Golden Light, 5th District. N. Y. Gold on silver.

That this foil should just come to light shows the possibilities to the collector of the "Side Lines" in U. S. Revenues. Chronicled for the first time after 35 years.

The Report of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing has been received by the editor and its perusal caused him some surprise. It had been the opinion of most collectors that there would be no provisional surcharges for the Series of 1910, but on page 26 of the Report, the following stamps are shown to have been surcharged: —

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20 " 23,000 " 1,840,000 "

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10 cigarettes, 150 sheets, 10,500 stamps.

Cigarettes, Strip, Tax $1.08, Imprinted Tax $1.25. Act of Aug. 5, 1909.

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A most curious and interesting lot of surcharges has been received from a New York correspondent, which show in what straits the collector of Internal Revenue may, at times, finds himself: —

1st. The 25 cigar strip, Series of 1898, surcharged at left end, over the 25, with rubber stamped figure 12 (24 mm. high) in violet ink, and at right end, over the head of Clay, with P. I. (Philippine Islands) in letters 17 mm. high.

2nd. The 12 cigar strip, Series of 1901, surcharged at both ends, over the 12, with rubber stamped figure 10 (24 mm. high) in violet ink.

3rd. The 25 cigar strip, Series of 1901, surcharged at left end over the 25, with rubber stamped figure 12 (23 mm. high) in violet ink.

4th. The 25 cigar strip, Series of 1901, surcharged at left end over the 25, and also in center, with rubber stamped figure 12 (15 mm. high) in violet ink.

5th. The 25 customs cigar strip, Series of 1895, surcharged at both ends over the 25, with rubber stamped figure 12 (24 mm. high) in red ink.

6th. The 25 customs cigar stamps, Series of 1904, surcharged in center, over the 25, with rubber stamped figure 12 (12 mm. high) in violet ink.

7th. The 25 customs cigar stamp. Series of 1904, surcharged twice Twelve in full letters 5mm. high with violet ink.

These surcharged stamps all are found on high priced imported goods. Besides these, the following stamps have been seen surcharged Philippine Islands, in various types and in various colors of ink:

25 cigar strip, Series of 1901.
100 " " " "
250 " " " "
20 cigarettes, " "

SERIES OF 1910.

The following stamps are to be added to the list of stamps of this series as published in No. 1032 of the WEEKLY:

Cigarette Stamps. Tax $1.25 per M.

8 cigarettes, blue on blue. Size 20x41.
10 " surcharged Porto Rico.
15 " " "
50 " blue on blue. Size 23x158.

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Cigars. Tax $3.00 per M.

25 cigars, black on blue. Size 25x175 (strip.)
50 " surcharged Porto Rico.
100 " black on blue. Size 25x348.

Tobacco Stamps (Squares). Series of 1910.

½ lb., black on blue. Size 70x70.
1 " " " " "
2 " " " " "

Tobacco Stamps (Strips). Series of 1910.

¾ oz., black on blue. Size 17x161.
1¾ " " " " "
2 " " " " 17x167.
3 " " " " 17x170.
3¼ " " " " "
3½ " " " " 20x305.
4 " " " " "
8 " " " " 21x277.

Snuff Stamps. Series of 1910.

1½ oz., (small), black on blue. Size 22x25.
2½ " " " " " unknown.
6 " (strip), " " " 28x175.
16 " " " " " 28x305.

Rectified Spirits. Series of 1909.

40 gallons black on blue. Size unknown.

Just as these notes are ready to send, the following came to hand:

5 lb. snuff, Series of 1910, black on blue. Size 70x70.
5 cigar, 1910, Tax $3.00, with printed surcharge Porto Rico, in black, reading down.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—We have been favored with an invitation to a stereopticon lecture to be given in the Auditorium, Cabanne Library, St. Louis, Mo., Tuesday, Nov. 22. The lecture will be held under the auspices of the St. Louis Stamp Collectors Society and will be devoted to stamps and their attendant features. The invitation states that the lecture has been arranged "to demonstrate in a graphic manner that a fund of education, recreation and fascination is contained in a collection of stamps". The committee in charge consists of T. C. Mann, Chester Myers and F. R. Cornwall. The invitation is very handsomely gotten up and is adorned with an unused stamp.

—H. A. Ramsden of the firm of Jun Kobayagawa & Co. sends us greetings that we are pleased to quote verbatim: "In the heart of China you will find the province of Shensi, in the center of which lies the ancient capital of Tsian, on the banks of the historical Hoang-ho; from this spot we send you greetings." The WEEKLY appreciates the kindly spirit that prompted the sending of this word.

—Our advertising columns this week introduce two new candidates for the patronage of our subscribers. Herbert Maass takes the space formerly occupied by H. A. Blackwell, while Herbert H. A. Fox of Oswego, N. Y., makes his debut with a strong line of British Colonials. We trust these dealers will be given a hearty welcome. The managing editor has known Mr. Fox for many years and takes special pleasure in presenting him to our readers.

—Postmasters have been notified that the supply of 13c stamps at the Post Office Department has been exhausted. This stamp was first authorized for use in payment of registry fee of 8c coupled with foreign postage rate of 5c. With the raising of the registry fee to 10c this combination denomination has lost its usefulness. Its printing was ordered discontinued a year ago. A half dozen subscribers have sent us clippings on this subject.

—Clippings acknowledged with thanks from Hugo Kuenstler (4), Franklin S. Smith, Edw. Howard, Leon Cooper, Geo. Hoppe, Jr., William Bess, Henry F. King, Cleveland Bundlie (2).

—Our notice last week of the sale of the Craig collection was not quite complete, in that we failed to note the name of the intermediary party between Mr. Craig and the Nassau Stamp Co. It was P. G. Beals, the well-known Boston dealer.

—It will be noted that the address of the Co-operative Exchange is changed this week from 1464 Bedford Ave. to 1486 Bedford Ave.

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NOTES ON BISECTED PROVISIONALS.

By R. E. R. DALWIGK.

A most interesting and fascinating branch of philately is the history and studv of bisected or "split" provisional stamps, which have been issued from time to time by various colonies and foreign countries through certain emergencies arising. These emergencies or necessities which lead to the bisection of stamps often form interesting and instructive reading, as they usually demonstrate some fact or facts of interest which now and again throw a vast amount of light on the philatelic affairs of the country or colony.

There are two very distinct kinds of bisecteds in existence—(1) those which were authorised by the government or acting administration, and (2) those which were used *without* any notice authorising their use.

Under this latter class can be placed a very large number of stamps, the necessity for their usage differing to a very great extent. Collectors are often apt to neglect or despise unauthorised "splits"—the reason being that they have not studied the matter sufficiently to grasp the fact that *many* of the unauthorised bisecteds were the outcome of pure necessity.

On the other hand it would be absurd to argue that *all* unauthorised "splits" were necessary, as we know only too well that many only escaped a sudden death because of the laxity on the part of the postal officials. There are many—too many—instances where bisecteds were used as a means of convenience by the sender. The case is quite a common one, the sender wants, say, 6d stamps for his letters, but finds he possesses only 1sh adhesives—what does he do where the attitude of the officials is lax? Why, he cuts his 1sh labels in half and uses them as 6d, regardless of the fact that a 6d stamp can be obtained at the Post Office.

Then again there is the case of the unsanctioned bisect which originated through genuine necessity—and surely this kind of "split" must be considered on practically the same footing as the authorised variety. Take as an example the North American Colonies (the greatest transgressors in the use of unauthorised "splits"). It was absolutely a necessity for a certain rate of postage that a 7½d stamp should have existed, but, except in the case of Canada, no such value existed at the time (1850-1860). Now, just to mention a couple of names—what was New Brunswick or Nova Scotia to do when they required the 7½d rate? There was one course open under the circumstances and one course only, bisecteds had to be used to make up the requisite amount.

A point of some interest in connection with these unsanctioned "splits" is—were they issued in a bisected condition at the Post Office and sold thus over the counter, or were they cut up at the sender's home? Mr. Warren Colson writing in "Postage Stamps and their Collection" makes the following remarks upon this question: "The belief is growing with many collectors that these bisected stamps were kept in the Post Office drawer, all cut, and were sold just like entire stamps of other denominations. Evidence is not lacking to support this belief. A well known cover which bears a six-pence and half a three-pence New Brunswick on both ends, making up the double rate of fifteen pence, is a case in point. If the three-pence stamps were not kept already cut, why not have used the pair of six-pence and a whole three-pence uncut? It would seem patent that to make up the foreign rate, three-pence stamps at least, were kept in the bisected condition." The above seems to carry some weight with it, although it is by no means conclusive, as it might quite possibly have chanced that in the case of the envelope referred to, the sender might just have had the two halves of the threepennies lying by, and as he wished to use them before they were lost he used them there and then.

It must here be mentioned that "split" or bisect are terms not necessarily confined to the meaning of dividing a stamp into *two* parts, as there are certain "splits" where the stamp is divided into *four* parts. The best-known example of this is probably the 1sh New Brunswick which is known to have been cut into four parts, each of which did duty as a 3d adhesive!

Taking the authorised bisects of the British Empire into consideration, it is noted that 16 colonies have issued these weird labels from time to time. Nearly all bisecteds are rare, and most of them are of great rarity, a point which has prompted a well-known philatelic scribe to utter the following: "Half a stamp is better than a whole one—when it happens to be a split provisional!"

For much information in this article I am indebted to Mr. Poole's article in the *West End Philatelist* for 1905.

The following colonies have made use of declarations authorising them to the use of half-stamps.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Changes—A letter from Washington tells of the adoption of the U. S. P. S. watermark in thin single line capitals and from the *Philatelic Gazette* we learn that some of the stamps with new watermark have been distributed; the paper with the single-lined capitals withstands shrinkage better in the "wetting down" process in the course of printing than that with double-lined watermark. The post-office department regards the change of watermark as an informal one and as a small detail in the manufacture of stamps. Our correspondent tells of the success that has crowned the production of the postal savings bank stamps and the stamp for official correspondence on the subject of postal bank business. He reminds us that some time ago, he said that the wish to make the stamps sightly was due in great part to President Taft's interest in postal savings plans. While nothing is being said about impending changes in U. S. stamps at the department, yet, our informant says, the enterprising officers may have plans maturing that will take collectors by surprise, when, suddenly, they are put in operation. The present set of officers are "live men with large ideas," we quote.

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A Real Error—On the six-cent of the Newfoundland Guy commemorative issue, the "Z" in "Colonization" is shown reversed; the end of the horizontal top stroke points to the right instead of the left. In later printings of the stamp, the "Z" is righted and it follows that the authorities were conscious that an error had been made; and it has been corrected. When our attention was called to the reversed "Z" in Colonization, it was thought that it might have been intended for an angular "S" of an unauthorized, even if not unprecented, design. A reason for this belief was that on the two-cent issue of the Guy set, "Colonising" is spelled with an "S" instead of a "Z." The reversal of the "Z" in Colonization in subsequent printings of the six-cent indicates that an error was made in the stamps as first made, in the estimation of the authorities.

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Glad Tidings—The Associated Press despatch, dated New York, November 18th, telling of the purchase in Europe of $50,000 worth of stamps by Archer M. Huntington of New York, son of the late railroad organizer, C. P. Huntington, makes most pleasant and interesting reading to collectors. Mr. Huntington's activities in coin collecting and his presentation of the edifice used as a club-room by the numismatic society in New York are well known.

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Confession—We now come to one of the most painful annals in our history. The hope that our friends would forget the existence of Parnassus Penflip has not been realized; shrewd readers pro test against the conspiracy of silence that would have Parnassus Penflip as its victim. In stentorian tones they ask, Where is the great Penflip? and it would be folly to ignore the swelling cry any longer. Parnassus Penflip has done the deed of shame. It may be remembered that being out of cash at the moment, we tendered Penflip last August our three months' note in payment for his literary services. The note has become due and merely because we could not pay it, Parnassus Penflip has set the dogs of war on us; in other words he has sued us. When Parnassus sent his convention notes to us by express, C. O. D., we reprobated his exhibition of distrust by refusing his work; pity. rather than anger, was felt for him. In return he has no tolerance for us; perhaps he does not think that it hurt us worse not to pay the note than it did him not to obtain the money. While we grant that Parnassus Penflip is not restricted by the laws that govern ordinary individuals by reason of his insuperable genius, yet even he cannot hope to get blood out of a turnip, or, rather, money from a philatelic editor.

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Penflip in Rebuttal—Since writing the preceding paragraph, we indited a dignified letter to Parnassus Penflip saying that while we could not emerge from the depression that his insults caused us, for many a day, under the regular order of things, we should strive to throw off the incubus if he would withdraw his suit and call accounts square. Seeing how deeply we were wounded, Penflip agreed to the proposal and so, the seore is now settled. Any doubts that we have expressed of the transcendent genius of Parnassus Penflip are hereby withdrawn and further, we subscribe readily to the statement that Penflip is not all brains; he has a heart and, we say, long may it beat. In this connection we call attention to the following words that appeared in B. L. T.'s column recently in the *Chicago Tribune*: "Exaggerated simplicity is as tedious to contemplate as exaggerated luxury, and no more impressive than the collecting of postage stamps." The remark is made in the course of a criticism of Tolstoi by Mr. Taylor who has been called the brightest newspaper paragrapher in the country. Formerly, when B. L. T. "railed" against stamp collecting, we had but to call Penflip's attention to the libel on his beloved pursuit and B. L. T. would be trounced verbally until he was a pitiable specimen. Probably, B. L. T. fancied that he now is secure because of Penflip's silence for some time past, but behold his confusion and chagrin, when Parnassus Penflip rises to say: "It is evident that Taylor seeks to vituperate stamp collectors for the purpose of slurring me but the poisoned darts of this penny-a-liner fall harmlessly on the shining armor of philately. Does this scribbler in his egregious conceit think that what he mouths will have any effect but to prove the reverse of his statements? The baleful braying of this brainless blot on humanity may be music to his own auricular appendages but it is senseless sound to us philatelists." Very pretty sentiment.

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* 13	1d carmine.....	.18	.08
* 14	2d orange.....	.30	.15
* 15	2½d blue	.25	.15
* 16	3d slate.....	.40	.18
* 17	4d brown	.35	.20
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IMPRESSIONS OF A NON-PHILATELIST.

Translated by G. C. Cuenod.

(Mr. Cuenod submits the following translation of an article that appeared in the *Gazette de Lausanne*, giving the impressions of a visitor at the Berne Exhibition.—Ed.)

One is blue, the other is yellow. One bears the inscription "one penny", the other, "two pence." Some forty years ago, they were worth a mite, nowadays, each one is quoted at $10,000.00. Consequently the public opens large eyes to contemplate that wonder. Its first attention, when visiting the International Philatelic Exposition, is to run to the Mauritius.

After seeing them he steps further, satisfied but shaking his head. The blue Mauritius and the yellow Mauritius are not obliterated. They are very neat and show the picture of delightful little Queen Victoria, with her hair tied in a knot over the back of her head. I do not know whether the philatelists have taken notice of that hair dress, anyhow it is not for that reason that the stamps are worth $10,000 each.

Should somebody doubt that the small, blue Victoria and the small, yellow Victoria are each equal to a small fortune, the presence there of a detective, standing constantly in the hall where these rarities are shown, is a living and significant objective lesson.

Try to examine more closely the Mauritius, put your hands on the glass showcase that protects them, take the measure of the thickness of plates, look furtively aside and you will instantly be watched until you leave the place. The little Queen is well watched.

If there were no police there, the philatelists themselves would take the job. They live, practically, in the rooms of the Bernerhof where they have carefully arranged innumerable, immaculate and faultless collections that appear to me so clean that the exhibitors must have taken away from them every bit of dust. Philately must develop wonderfully the taste for minute details and careful examination.

You know what a good philatelist is studying; varieties of paper, watermarks, perforations, cancellations, more or less worn plates, all these make him happy. This you can observe at the Berne Exposition, and it is not the least interesting part of this Exposition which is worth to be thoroughly visited, but the distant noise of the battle does not allow us to stay longer in the quiet and peaceful sanctuary of philately. We must leave for the great army manoeuvres, and limit ourselves to this short mention of the International Manifestation of the Postage Stamp.

NEW PORTUGAL SET.

Chas. M. Brown informs us that the reported surcharge of the 1910 issue of Portugal with the word "Republica" is an assured fact. The surcharge is in red on the 2½, 5, 10, 15, 25, 50, 75, 80, 100, 200, 300, 500 and 1000 reis and in dark green on the 20 reis. The surcharge is printed diagonally, reading up.

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THE STAMP MARKET.

By Senex.

Everybody seems to be wanting the current stamps of Portugal, and of course the dealer must bestir himself to attempt to comply with the demand; but there is just the possibility that it may be wise on the part of the customer to wait awhile. When the prices of the stamps have become settled, they may prove to be not so very much dearer than they were, and may possibly be even cheaper than they are at the present moment. However, this is only one man's opinion, to be taken for what it is worth.

In an accumulation of current Danish West Indies, the 25 bit is found to be fairly plentiful, the 15 bit much scarcer, and the 20 bit scarcer still.

I have moved up the prices of my recent Siams, especially the 1909 surcharges; possibly some of these may prove to be worth more than the prices that have hitherto obtained.

Quotations for used Argentine, 1910, are gradually coming into view; these should be worth looking out for.

The demand for middle values of Austria Jubilees continues; to many sellers these stamps are now within reach at prices that attract. The 1908 Austrian Levant is another series that sells well.

Lower values of the Cuba pictorial, 1910, are obtainable in quantity, and presently we may expect the 3c, 8c and 10c to come within reach.

Sets of nine Persia, 1908, (1ch to 1kr) are found to sell like ripe cherries.

The 50c and 1 peso Mexico, 1899, seem to be slightly cheaper to buy than they were.

The 8c, 10c and 25c Panama, 1906 (without overprint) seem to me to be scarce; guessing, one would think that these should go much higher eventually. Mixed lots of the Panamas contain far too few of them.

Some used Montenegro, 1910 are on sale on the Continent; possibly these may become as popular as the pictorial Bosnias.

The 5c and 10c pictorial Martinique, now obtainable in used condition in some quantity, are an acquisition to the seller of cheap attractives.

Madagascar, 1908, is another good series to have, but it does not seem too easy to get used copies of more than one or two of the denominations.

Abyssinia is frequently enquired for. This may be because (a) the Abyssinian page comes first in the album, and blank spaces at the forefront of a collection are not a cheering view; or (b) because these stamps never seem to be ever worth less than what one gives for them.

Persia, 1902, type-set, are often fearfully difficult to wash off the envelope; often the paper is stronger than the stamp. The 10ch of Persia, 1906, does not seem easy to meet with; the 13ch is a grand stamp.

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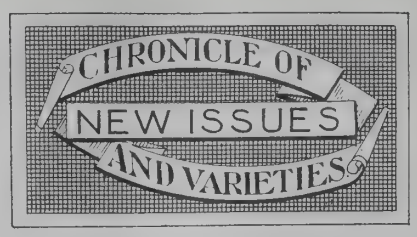

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UNITED STATES.—As noted in the "Flash" report last week, an important change in the stamps of the United States is already underway, and specimens of the current stamps with the new watermark are liable to be found any day. The announcement of the new watermark came as a complete surprise, as the *Philatelic Gazette* says, "like a thunderbolt out of a clear sky." From the same paper, we draw the following information regarding the stamps with the new watermark, for it is indeed true that collectors must provide room for a complete new set of postage, postage due and special delivery stamps. The last week in October printing was commenced on a new paper showing a totally different watermark. While the letters "USPS," one for each stamp, have been retained, the style has been entirely changed and is now a single lined Gothic letter, instead of the double lined Roman letter in use since 1895.

All stamps printed since the last few days in October have been on the new paper, and some of these have already been sent out to smaller offices which have sent requisitions for only small supplies. It will be somewhere near Christmas before the old stock of 1c and 2c stamps will be exhausted, and not until then are the new stamps likely to be put into general circulation. Of course, the new watermark will be found on all stamps printed in large sheets of 400 subjects, which will also include the special delivery stamps. It is not contemplated to issue the 50c and $1 stamps with the new watermark, as these are printed in sheets of 200. There is still a good supply of these values on the old paper, and they will be used up before new ones are printed. It may be two or three years before it will be necessary to print any new supplies of either of these denominations, as the stock in the vaults is quite large for stamps so little required. It is therefore probable that the 50c and $1 of the current series will never appear with the new watermark.

No 30c postage due stamps have been printed for about 10 years, while the 50c of the same set is rarely required, therefore these two stamps may not make their appearance on the new paper for a long time to come, if at all. Two new 400 subject plates have recently been made, one for each of these two stamps. As the Postoffice and Bureau officials do not regard the change in watermark with the same importance as do philatelists, no record is kept of the dates when the stamps are first issued. It will be left, therefore, to those interested to hunt for all information regarding the first appearance of each value. We trust our readers will be on the lookout for the appearance of the new stamps at their local postoffices, and will give us prompt notice of the same.

H. A. Fletcher has shown us a specimen of the current postcard, with what is practically a double printing, the stamp appearing at the left as well as at the right of the upper part of the card. Mr. Fletcher also shows us a card, which has no stamp at all, the frame bearing the directions being placed so far to the right that the extreme end is missing. Both of these cards were bought at the postoffice in the regular way.

Conrad Garst shows us the 5c of the 1898 issue, the blue Grant, with the watermark sideways.

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F. B. Eldredge reports the following new precancels:

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Providence, R. I., No. 326, 4c brown, inverted.

Mr. Eldredge also shows us a curious permit. It was originally printed as Permit No. 192 of Chicago, Ill., with value 6c. This permit was obliterated by cross rules set closely, and an entirely new permit printed below, the number, type and city being the same, but, with the value changed to 7c.

CHILE.—We are indebted to J. B. B. Smith and Philip Wolff for a view of the complete set of the new Chile commemorative stamps. We have previously noted the 2c, 5c, 10c and 20c values, but we now give the whole series together, as a convenience to our readers:

Adhesives.

1c dark green and black; Jura de la Independcia.
2c carmine lake and black; Battle of Chacabuco.
3c red brown and black; Battle of Roble.
5c blue and black; Battle of Maipo.
10c dark brown and black; Combat at sea between the Frigates Lautaro and Esmeralda.
12c carmine and black; Capture of the Maria Isabel.
20c vermilion and black; Abdication of O'Higgins.
25c ultramarine and black; First Chilian Congress.
30c violet and black; Portrait of O'Higgins.
50c olive green and black; Carrera Monument.
1p yellow and black; Statue of San Martin.
2p rose and black; Portrait of Gen. Blanco.
5p green and black; Portrait of Zenteno.
10p purple and black; Portrait of Admiral Cochrane.

GABON.—*Le Timbrophile de France* says that the Colonial Minister of France has ordered the suppression of the stamps of Gabon, recently issued, and their replacement, by others of the same types, bearing the legend, "Afrique Equatoriale Francaise," in place of "Gabon."

GERMAN COLONIES.—About 150,000 used stamps of the various colonies cut from old forms stored at the General Post Office in Berlin were offered at auction. They included 1300 China $1 and 1500 China $2, the former partly without watermark; German S. W. Africa, 3300 1m, 1660 2m, 210 3m and 50 5m and other useful lots. There are also 300 German 3mk and 1300 5mk.

HANOVER.—An event of considerable importance to those possessing stocks or collections of old Hanover stamps is announced by the German Postal Museum, says *Ewen's Weekly*.

The German Post Office has for a good many years been utilizing all the remainders, proofs, essays, etc., and even used stamps off money order forms, surplus "specimen" stamps and so on, in order to form for its museum a general collection of the stamps of the world, its duplicates being exchanged with dealers for other stamps required. No money has been granted for this purpose, the museum having to rely solely on such waste stamps. The collection so formed is said to be a very good one, including even the Post Office Mauritius.

Amongst the remainders now being offered are thirteen entire sheets (120 stamps each) of the rare 10 groschen, green, catalogued by Scott at $15, unused and used. All the sheets are damaged, about one-third of the stamps being torn or creased and others here and there discolored from the red gum. They will be offered in five lots of two

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5		5p lilac and blue.....	.50	.20
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11		2½p carmine.....	.50	.20
12		5p gray lilac.....	2.00	1.00
13		1sh black.....	2.00	1.25
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18		2½p pale blue.....	.60	.25
20		1sh black.....	.75	.32

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sheets and one of three sheets. There are also:—

	Quantity.
1859, 1gr rose, several printings,	45,820
2gr blue,	12,960
3gr brown, several printings,	5,040
1864, 3pf green, " " (red gum),	1,653
" " " (white gum),	3,149
1gr rose, rose gum,	3,000
" white gum (several print.),	8,169
2gr blue, "	99
3gr brown, "	519
Envelopes, 1 groschen,	230
" 3 "	5

The 1859 issue is imperforate; that of 1864 rouletted.

NEWFOUNDLAND.—It appears that the 6c of the Guy commemorative series is distinguished by two errors, the first being in the inscription, "Lord Bacon," below the portrait, which should have read "Sir Francis Bacon," as he was never entitled to the title of "Lord." The other error was in the word "Colonization," in which the "z" was reversed. The *Postage Stamp* says that the first consignment of stamps sent out contained this error, but it was soon discovered and corrected, presumably on a new transfer, for the stamps were printed by lithography. The first consignments must have consisted entirely of the errors. How many sheets of the errors were printed is not yet known.

PERSIA.—We reproduce the following translation of an official certificate from the *Postage Stamp*. It gives the history of the recent 1c and 2c shahi surcharged stamps and proves their purely speculative nature.

Having created 500 sets of wholly unnecessary stamps and issued about 20 sets to constitute them postage stamps the Postmaster-General and his friends have presumably purchased the rest themselves. The face value of the set of 17 is 28 shahi or about sixpence (12c) at the present rate of exchange. The 480 sets would thus cost £12 ($60). The retail quotation for a single set on the Continent is 340 francs. Thus more is being asked for a single set than the face value of the *entire issue* amounts to.

The Director-General of Persian Posts undersigned, certifies.

1. That there were supplied to the Administration of Persian Posts, under the supervision of the Netherlands Government Inspector, by the firm of J. Enschédé & Sons, of Haarlem, five hundred sets of stamps, imperforate, but gummed, of the series of 1907, decreed by Mohammed Ali Schah, comprising seventeen values in the set.

2. That all these five hundred sets of stamps amounting to 8,500 imperforate stamps were created by the surcharge, some 1 chahi, and the others by the surcharge 2 chahis.

3. That only 325 of these stamps were sold to the public in November last, and served to frank regular correspondence.

Given at Téheran, May 1st, 1910.
The Director-General of Posts,
(Signed) MOLITOR.

N. B.—1. The clichés of the 1907 series have been destroyed; another new printing of the stamps of that issue is impossible.

2. The steel dies which were used to make the above surcharges have been defaced.

Given at Téheran, May 2nd, 1910.
The Director-General,
(Signed) MOLITOR.

PORTUGAL.—We are indebted to the Frank P. Brown Co. and to the New

England Stamp Co. for specimens of the new surcharges on the King Manuel set, the former having shown us two of the low values and the latter the complete set from 2½r to 1000r. The stamps are surcharged "Republica" in bold faced capital letters, diagonally, reading up. All surcharges are in red, except on the 20r, which is in dark green. A correspondent of the New England Stamp Co. says the surcharged stamps were placed on sale Nov. 1 but that he had to fight to secure the filling of his order several days later.

We learn from the *Deutsche Briefmarken Zeitung* that the first Republican issue appeared nearly a month ago. The Republic was only established on Oct. 5, and a week later the 10 reis postcard was overprinted "Republica," hand-stamped (it is said, at the mint, without official decree) in red diagonally across the stamp and again across the Royal Arms.

Dr. C. Antonius contributes to the *Berliner Briefmarken Zeitung* an article on the philatelic aspect of the revolution. He says that there were large remainders of the Don Carlos issue and that they are being issued until exhausted, with the result that even at the present time many values are still in use and the Don Manuel issue is only supplied at the Post Office counter if specially requested. Consequently in used condition some of the Manuel series are likely to prove very scarce and as collectors will have to fill up with unused specimens, the latter also may soon be taken off the market and become scarce. In answer to the question, whether to collect the set used or unused, Dr. Antonius recommends the collector to take what first comes to hand and be thankful!

RUSSIA.—*Offices in the Levant.*—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 20pa on 5k, vertically laid paper, chronicled last week.

UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.—According to the *Postage Stamp*, the new commemorative stamp of the Union of South Africa was issued on Friday, November 4, in London and in South Africa, the date being that on which the Duke of Connaught, representing His Majesty the King, formally opened the Union Parliament. The portrait of King George is full face, within an oval border inscribed in English and Dutch "Union of South Africa—Unie van Zuid Afrika." Above is the Imperial Crown, and at the top angles are the Arms of the Cape of Good Hope and Natal, and in the bottom corners the Arms of the Orange Free State and Transvaal. The date 1910 figures below the portrait frame, and at each side the face value 2½d appears in white figures on a coloured oval surmounted on the left by the word "Postage," and at the right by the Dutch equivalent "Postzegel." The stamp is engraved in tailledouce printed on paper watermarked multiple rosettes, and comb-perforated 14.

Adhesive.

2½d blue.

URUGUAY.—Philip Wolff has shown us a new provisonal from this country, the 50c of 1901 having been surcharged "Provisorio—5—Centesimos—1910" in four lines, the first being curved and the "5" in very large type.

Provisional Adhesive.

5c on 50c carmine; black surcharge.

THE WHY OF THE NEW WATERMARK

In reply to your letter of November 16, you are advised that the watermark in the postage stamp paper now being produced is composed of smaller letters than formerly and the change is made to increase the strength of the paper and give it a more uniform thickness.

Respectfully,
A. M. TRAVERS,
Acting Third Assist. P. M. Gen.

NOTES ON BISECTED PROVISIONALS.

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be found reading upwards or downwards.

This famous bisect was issued locally, and was perforated vertically down the centre by a machine gauging 11½ to 13, also the label containing the original value was cut off. The sheets of the 5sh value consisted of 48 stamps, printed in four rows of twelve, so accordingly there must have been 96 surcharges in the setting. There are a large quantity of minor varieties of this provisional, differing mostly in the shape of the "I" and the size of the "D."

The first mention in the philatelic press of these "splits" was in the *American Journal of Philately* for April 20th, 1878, while a little later most of the stamp journals chronicled its appearance with such comments as "very peculiar," "a novel and ingenious idea" etc., etc. This bisect (a and b) had a very short life, being in circulation (as far as can be ascertained) from about March 20th to April 12th. These dates do not pretend to be correct, but they are based on the earliest and latest postmarked specimens known.

Collectors should beware of some dangerous forgeries of this Barbados "split."

British Central Africa.—Owing to a shortage of 1d stamps in 1895, the High Commissioner for B. C. A. authorised the bisection of the 2d sea-green and vermilion denomination. The stamps were bisected diagonally (cut). The authorization was given to the postmasters at Blantyre, Chiromo and Zomba. This provisional was only in use for two days, and as only 50 "splits" are said to have been used, it is a rarity.

Canada.—In January 1899, there was a shortage of 1c and 2c stamps, so the use of bisecteds was resorted to:

"1" in *blue* on ⅓ of 3c.
"2" in *violet* on ⅔ of 3c.

The above were divided vertically and surcharged over figure.

From all accounts these two "splits" originated from one Post Office, where the supply had run down and the postmaster had to supply the values required as above.

These "splits" must have been in use for a good time (although very rare) as a correspondent of the *Montreal Philatelist* received a letter franked with the half (?) of a 3c, postmarked January 9, *1900*. This gentleman wrote to the office of issue for an explanation and received the following reply:

"Cross Road, Country Harbor,
April 17th, 1900.

"Dear Sir,—Your enquiry *re* stamps to hand. At the time you mention the 2c postage was given us so suddenly that I was about out and all my neighbour P. M. were also out; and as I could only charge the public 2c I could not afford to put on a 3c stamp so cut 3c and 5c to about even the thing and sent them along. Three or four days' letters were mailed in this way, but I do not know where they went to.

Yours very truly,
E. S. SWEET, Postmaster."

In reading the above it appears that there must be a mistake somewhere, as Sweet says the bisects were only in use for four days. This being the case the date January 9, 1900, must be at fault, and probably an error for 1899.

Dominica.—The Philatelic Record for December 1882 contains the following notice under above heading: "Messrs. Theodor, Buhl & Co. send us specimens of a provisional Halfpenny adhesive. It is of primitive construction. The current One Penny Stamps are divided vertically, not perforated, and each half surcharged ½ in small black numerals."

In the same journal for January 1883, appeared another notice:

"In addition to the provisional Halfpenny, which we described last month, Messrs. Theodor, Buhl & Co. send us a second variety, consisting of the One Penny, divided as before, and each half surcharged ½ in red. We presume that the former surcharge was found to be too minute, for the numerals are now 4 mm. high." 4 mm. is a mistake, as type 1 was 4 mm. high. The first of these two splits *i. e.*, the one surcharged in *black*, was issued on November 25th, 1882, and was used for only a short period, hence its rarity. There are some interesting varieties of the overprint on this half stamp, the overprint being known inverted, while pairs are occasionally seen with the overprint *tete beche*.

Type 2, or the *red* overprint variety, was issued some days after type 1, the most noticeable alteration (barring the colour of surcharge) being the size of the overprint, which in this case was much larger. This variety was in use for some months, and consequently is comparatively common both used and unused. Type 2 exists inverted, but this is the only variety known.

The surcharging was done in both cases with a handstamp, applied twice to each stamp. The dividing of the stamps was performed as under: each vertical row of labels was divided down the centre at the post office and then was put on sale. The immediate result of this proceeding was that unsevered pairs could not exist, *except* the right half of one stamp attached to the left half of the other.

In March 1883, a third bisected provisional put in an appearance. This time "Half-penny" was printed across half of the 1d in black. The surcharging in this case was erratically done, as the overprint is sometimes reading upwards and sometimes downwards!

This stamp was also overprinted by a handstamp, measuring about 14 mm. in length. In April 1883 the new ½d adhesive arrived, making the above "split" obsolete.

Falkland Islands.—In 1890 the following official notice appeared:

GOVERNMENT NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that on and from 1st of January next, letters posted for Great Britain, India, and the Colonies will be charged at the rate of 2½d, the single rate, instead of 4d as hitherto. Until the arrival of 2½d stamps, the 1d stamp, cut in two diagonally, may be used for ½d stamps, * * *

By command,
(Signed) Fred Shedden Sanquinetti,
Aq. Postmaster.

The postage to the United Kingdom, India, and the Colonies being reduced from 4d to 2½d per half oz. necessitated the use of a 2½d stamp, but, unfortunately, stamps of that denomination were not issued, neither were there any adhesives of the face value of ½d. To meet the demand it was therefore imperative to have a ½d value, so, accordingly, the 1d claret was surcharged "½d" twice by a handstamp and then divided. The GOVERNMENT NOTICE gives an illustration of how it required the stamps to be bisected, *i.e.*, from top right hand to bottom left hand corner. The handstamp was somewhat carelessly applied to the adhesives, however, so it is not infrequently that the bisection occurs from top left to bottom right.

It will be observed that in the NOTICE no mention is made about the "splits" being surcharged "½," so it is quite likely that originally the surcharge did not exist on the bisecteds, but was added at a later date.

In 1891 the 1d was issued in brown-orange, so when the claret 1d ceased to be used some of the brown-orange hue stamps were overprinted and bisected—these latter are rare. The date of issue of this "split" was March (the end), 1891, and they were used steadily until stopped by a NOTICE on January 11th, 1892.

A very interesting fact is that in the case of the brown-orange stamp the surcharge was sometimes applied *after the stamp had been stuck on the envelope*, as specimens are said to be known in which part of the surcharge is on the stamp and part on the envelope!

The *Government Gazette* for December 17th, 1891, contained the following: "December 10th, 1891.—A supply of ½d and 2½d stamps have been received; no further issue of the Provisional Half penny stamps will be made.—(Signed) SANGUINETTI."

There are some prominent errors of this surcharge known—(*a*) double surcharge, (*b*) inverted surcharge, (*c*) sideways surcharge.

Grenada.—This interesting colony issued two bisected provisionals, and, like Dominica, the difference in them lies in the sizes of the two surcharges. In the case of these "splits" the value is not surcharged, but instead the word POSTAGE, as the stamps which were bisected were fiscals.

In January, 1883, the 1d fiscal stamp (sent to the colony in November, 1881), was taken and surcharged POSTAGE twice diagonally, which overprint in each case reads upwards, while the stamp was bisected between the two overprints. This provisional had a very short life as the surcharge was considered too large to be struck twice across the stamp, so a second and smaller surcharge was soon ordered to displace the above. The large-sized surcharge measured in length 16½ mm., while the letters were 3½ mm. in height. The printing of this large type was badly executed; as in the word POSTAGE, letters are constantly found badly out of alignment. The smaller overprint soon followed the larger one, the dimensions of the surcharge in this instance being 16 mm. long and 2½ mm. high. The word POSTAGE is, as before, printed across the stamp twice diagonally, but the words are now reversed as regards each other, the upper one reading upwards, whilst the lower one reads *downwards*. The second variety of overprint was evidently in use some time, as it is much more common than the large overprint, but, nevertheless, it is by no means a bisect which is seen every day. A strip of 6 sold some time ago fetched, I believe, about £22.

Jamaica.—In November, 1861, the Government *Gazette* of Jamaica authorised the bisection of the 1d blue of the first issue. Prior to 1871, a ½d denomination was very rarely required, so the authorities, having issued a decree as stated above, made no attempt to have ½d stamps supplied until the new issue of 1871. The "split" was not surcharged in any way, it was simply divided diagonally and thus used.

Montserrat.—Prior to 1883 the lowest postal rate was 1d, but in that year certain postal reforms and alterations occurred which made it necessary to have a ½d stamp. A new supply of values (in which was included a supply of ½d stamps) had been ordered for the colony from Messrs. De La Rue & Co., but this consignment did not reach Montserrat until 1884. To meet the demand of the public in the interval, the 1d red stamp was permitted to be bisected and used as a ½d stamp. This bisected stamp is occasionally seen surcharged with a small "½"—such surcharge is *entirely bogus*.

Nevis.—In 1883 a supply of ½d stamps was ordered in the Postal Union colour for the colony of Nevis. This supply apparently did not arrive until late in the above year, so it was found necessary to issue a provisional ½d stamp in the meantime for use as the demand for the value was becoming pronounced. Accordingly in September, 1883, the current 1d lilac was bisected vertically, each half being previously surcharged NEVIS in Roman capitals and "½d" in black or purple aniline ink. The surcharge may be found reading upwards or downwards.

Varieties are known with the surcharge printed doubly on each half, and, furthermore, the surcharge exists on halves of the 1d lilac, overprinted REVENUE, and used postally.

Without being rarities, all the above are difficult to find, especially in an unused state.

Niger Coast.—In the matter of issuing provisionals, Niger Coast is very much to the fore, and even bisections have played an important part in the history of Niger Coast adhesives.

(To be continued.)

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REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE.

In the next auction catalogues to be distributed by the United Stamp Co., P. M. Wolsieffer and H. M. Clark, respectively, there will be a circular from the Educational Committee that shows that it is the intention to press closely on the admirable work already accomplished by this publicity society. The committee is fortifying itself in a position to continue the work so ably conceived and executed and from the circular in question, we quote: "In order to accomplish greater results it is necessary that the liberal financial support extended in the past be continued during the coming season. An untold amount of publicity can be secured (thereby enhancing and maintaining the market value of your stamps) if every one, collector or dealer, would send to this committee a maximum contribution of but one dollar. Your cordial support is earnestly solicited." The Secretary-Treasurer is Iver R. Johnson, 2214 N. Rockwell St., Chicago, Ill.; the other members of the Governing Board are A. Roterberg and P. M. Wolsieffer, Chairman.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING NOV. 19, 1910.

APPLICATIONS PENDING.

Gary, Sumner
Gerspacher, R. E.
Stamm, M. P.
Diver, Geo. B.
Hart, W. O.
Urynowicz, Martin M.
Grosse, Elimar L.
Spaeter, Philip H.
Crabtree, Perry E.

APPLICATION POSTED.

LaVaute, Napolean H., 1112 Greenway Ave., Syracuse, N. Y.; age 31; Architect, with N. Y. State Architect. Reference: Wm. C. Webb, Boonton, N. J. Proposed by Wm. C. Webb, No. 3702.

Barnett, Maurice, 26 South 18th St., Philadelphia, Pa.; age 44; Art Dealer. References: F. W. Kaldenberg's Sons, 95 5th Ave., New York; R. G. Dun & Co. Proposed by Ira C. Green, No. 2678.

Koch, A. F., Weltevreden, Colpetty, Colombo, Ceylon; age 26; Philatelist. Proposed by Percival Parrish, No. 1868.

Metz, M. G., 322 Indiana Ave., N. W., Washington, D. C.; age 38; Fire Inspector, D. C. References: C. V. Cox, President Second Nat. Bank, Washington; H. F. Dunkhorst, Washington. Proposed by Chas. R. Morris, No. 2629.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3894. Stevenson, Rev. Fred T., Lacona, Iowa.
3895. Maxcy, Prof. Carroll L., Williamstown, Mass.
3896. Hileman, Lieut. Joseph L., New York, N. Y.
3897. Lester, Philip, New York, N. Y.

RESIGNATIONS ACCEPTED.

2799. Boardway, Earl E., Worcester, Mass.
3152. Moore, Robt., Severance, Idaho.
2892. Jellyman, J., Northampton, Eng.
3124. Burger, Chas. R., Pasadena, Calif.
2570. Wichman, H. M., Springfield, Mass.
3441. Henderson, John, Jr., Rochester, N. Y.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

3268. Falk, Geo. S., from Bellingham, Wash., to 4D, Hannover Apts., 6th and Columbia Sts., Seattle, Wash.
3407. Cordray, R. R., from 1313 Woodland Ave., to 117 Navarre St., Canton, Ohio.
2701. Smith, Mrs. C. C., from Shreveport, La., to Westlin and W. 9th Sts., Austin, Tex.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY.

Total membership Nov. 12th, 1910,	1744
New stockholders admitted Nov. 19th, 1910,	4
	1748
Resignations accepted Nov. 19th, 1910,	6
Total membership Nov. 19, 1910,	1742

W. H. BARNUM, Sec.

BRANCH REPORTS.

Detroit—Meeting of Nov. 22 was held at the home of Dr. W. L. Babcock, with President Coolidge presiding. Fifteen members present. It is proposed to create a branch of associate members without voting power of those caring to join the Detroit Philatelic Society, but living outside of Detroit. An unanimous vote of thanks was tendered to the Detroit Museum of Art and to Director Griffith, for the use of the Museum and his personal attention during the American Philatelic Society convention.

Chicago—The 291st regular meeting was held on the evening of Nov. 9th with sixteen members present. The following applicants were admitted to membership: Dr. B. Grant Jefferis, Jas. Hardy, Fred W. Wittemeier, Dave Taussig, and Samuel Leland. Applications were received from Edw. H. Buehler, Melville Leighton, Axel Johnson, Geo. Dunton, C. Staub, Arthur C. Burch and Wm. H. Gardiner. The secretary was instructed to send copies of edited minutes of meeting to such philatelic publications as may request them. The entertainment consisted of exhibits and talks on minor varieties, followed by a stamp drawing.—HUGH M. CLARK, Sec.

Branch 21—Branch 21 has continued to meet fortnightly and the attendance has been excellent, giving evidence that philately in Columbus is in a healthy state. A committee is now at work on plans for the celebration of the 100th meeting and of the 4th anniversary of the organization of the Columbus Collectors' Club. The first meeting in December will be on the 13th of the month and will be held in the club's new room, Red Lion Hall, 337½ South High St. The club has the exclusive use of this room and it will be open at all times for reading, study or recreation.—GEO. K. SMITH, Sec.

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" 1898, 2 pia blue & black (No. 614)	.20	.07
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Finland 1889, 5 pen green (No. 39)	.05	.01½
1901, 1m violet & green (" 68) good stamp	.10	.04
France, Levant, 1902, 2 pia on 50c (No. 632)	.04	.01½
Levant, 1902, 4 pia on 1fr (No. 633) unused price	.32	.08
Chinese Offices, Kouang Tcheou Wau, 1906, 1, 2, 5, 10c, 4 var	.25	.10
* **Chinese Offices, Canton**, 1906, 1, 2, 4, 5c, 4 var	.22	.10
Chinese Offices, Hoi Hao, 1906, 1, 2, 4, 5, 10c, 5 var	.30	.12
* **Chinese Offices, Yunnan Fou**, 1906, 1, 2, 4, 5c, 4 var	.30	.12
Crete, 1902, 1 pia on 25c (No. 1466), scarce	.50	.19
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Meetings first (informal) and third (regular) Tuesdays, Room 322, Tremont Bdg., 7.30 P. M.

BOSTON, MASS., Nov. 15, 1910.

The 236th (regular) meeting of the Society was held at the Club Room this evening. Pres. Wylie occupied the chair and 37 members and friends were present. The following was presented: —

LIRRARY REPORT FOR NOV. 1910.

Received since last report: —2 of Lohmeyer's Post Card Catalogs (Australia and Scandinavia), 8un priced auction catalogs and the annual report of the Birmingham Philatelic Society, from C. A. Howes.

And the following current magazines generously contributed by their publishers: MEKEEL'S WEEKLY, *Redfield's Weekly*, *Gibbons Stamp Weekly*, *Stamp Journal*, *Philatelic Journal of Great Britain* and *Berliner Briefmarken-Zeitung*.

Respectfully submitted,
C. K. B. NEVIN, } Lib.Com.
C. A. HOWES, }

The following was elected a member: — No. 538. G. Carlton Russell.

The President appointed Messrs. Aldrich, Sawyer and Barker as the Entertainment Committee for 1911.

The President called for short talks from those present which was responded to most happily by Mr. A. F. Stone of W. Johnsbury, Vt., and also Messrs. Greene, Fowle, Russell and others. Mr. Chas. H. Stone announced the issue of a new watermark in the U. S. stamps.

The exhibition consisted of Mr. Carpenter's fine specialized collection of Portuguese colonies, which is almost complete, and the magnificent collection of Mauritius belonging to Mr. Geo. H. Worthington. What with *two* 1d Post Office on cover and a single 2d on piece of cover, to say nothing of the Post Paids in all states of the plate and *plated* in this condition too, it seems hardly necessary to mention the later issues. This exhibit was indeed a treat such as few can show us. A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Worthington.

C. A. HOWES, Sec.

NO R. F. D. THERE.

MAILS FOR PITCAIRN ISLAND.—We have received the following from the Secretary of the General Post Office:—"An opportunity of communicating with Pitcairn Island will shortly be afforded by his Majesty's ship, Algerine, which will proceed to that island from Valparaiso, Chile. Letters and printed matter can be sent to overtake the Algerine at Valparaiso, and should be posted so as to leave London not later than the morning of December 9; but parcels should be posted in time for despatch to Valparaiso in the mail made up at Liverpool on the morning of November 17. The rate of postage to be prepaid on letters is 1d per oz. and on newspapers and other printed matter, ½d per 2 ozs. Parcels on this occasion should be prepaid at the rate applicable to parcels for Chile—namely, 2s for a parcel not exceeding 3 lbs. in weight, 3s for a parcel exceeding 3 lbs. but not exceeding 7 lbs., and 4s for a parcel exceeding 7 lbs. but not exceeding 11 lbs. They should be specially addressed to the care of the officer commanding his Majesty's ship, Algerine, at Valparaiso." —*London Times.*

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UNITED STATES.—The establishment of postal savings banks throughout the United States, though the plan adopted by the Government is lacking in certain popular features, which have contributed very materially to the success of similar institutions abroad, touches philatelists, in that two official stamps and an official envelope will be issued for the use of the postal savings banks, as at present planned. All correspondence connected with the administration of the banks is to be franked with a special official stamp, and it is said that stocks of the two stamps have already been printed and are being held in the vaults of the Bureau, awaiting orders from the Postoffice Department. The stamps are the same size as the regular postage issue, printed on the current watermarked paper, from plates containing 400 subjects, says the *Philatelic Gazette*. There is no portrait or special design, the principal features being the inscription on a finely engraved background of scroll work. "U. S. Postal Savings" appears at the top, with "Official—Mail" in the centre, in two lines, and at the bottom "Two Cents", with figures of value in each of the lower corners. Of this stamp, which is in black, there has been printed 2,082,400 copies, but they will not be on sale to the public, and there will be some difficulty in securing unused specimens. Probably the above will be all that will be printed on paper with the old watermark.

Another stamp, very similar in design to the above and printed in the same manner, is a 10c value which is to be used by the public in the savings bank books. The color is deep orange, the inscriptions reading "U. S. Postal Savings" above, with "10" in large numerals in the centre, and the word "Cents" at the bottom. Of this stamp, 5,306,000 copies have been printed on the paper with the old watermark.

In addition to these two stamps there is to be a series of four official envelopes for the postal savings banks, the stamp being the same on both sizes, which will be Nos. 7 and 9. Both will appear on white and manila, the white being the regular watermarked paper of the current series, the manila being the heavy kind used for the 2c wrapper. The stamp will be printed in carmine, the inscriptions reading "U. S. Postal Savings" at the top, "Official—Mail" in two lines in the centre, and "Two Cents" at the bottom, with a large figure "2" between the two words.

We are indebted to W. S. Dochterman for specimens of official cards from Iowa and Kansas, intended to be attached to bags of feeding stuffs, showing that they have been inspected, and the required tax paid. The Kansas card is dark blue, the tax being 1¼c per 100 pounds. The Iowa card is on ordinary manila tag stock, the tax being 1c per 100 pounds.

J. O. H. Pendleton has a freak envelope of the current series, No. 5 white, which has two embossed stamps, neither being in the proper place. One of these stamps is embossed on the outside, but has no color, while the other has plenty of color but is embossed on the inside of the envelope.

It is definitely announced from Washington that none of the postage stamps are to be printed on yellow paper, as was announced some time since, but this does not mean that there will not be changes in the colors of the high value stamps. Plates were made for the new 12c value, a year ago, it is reported, but it is now stated that there will be no issue of a 12c value in the current design.

We understand that a new reply post card has been issued, but we have not yet seen a copy.

We have been shown by Chas. R. Morris specimens of the new watermarked stamps 1 and 2c values. They seem to be spaced a little differently than the previous issue and Mr. Morris writes that some stamps have no watermark.

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New Wmk. Single Lined U. S. P. S.
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CANAL ZONE—*Scott's Circular* says that it is likely that a new 13c stamp will shortly appear.

CHILE.—Philip Wolff writes: "According to the September number of the *Tarapaca Filatelico*, the Chilian Minister of the Interior proposes to make a second

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impression of the 12c and 1p of the 1905 issue, which up to now have been only in the hands of the speculators and have been never regularly issued to the public. Whether the second impression can exactly resemble the first is questionable; we shall see."

Mr. Wolff also reports having received the 15c value in the new commemorative series, recently chronicled.

Adhesive.

15c slate and black; "Primera Salida de la Escuadra Libertadora."

CONGO.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the new 3fr and 10fr stamps in the bilingual set, previously chronicled.

GIBRALTAR.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 1sh value in the new colors.

Adhesive.

1sh black on green.

HONG KONG.—The *Postage Stamp* chronicles the current 1c brown stamp on multiple paper.

NEW ZEALAND.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the current 6d stamp, perforated 14x14½.

PAPUA.—Philip Wolff sends us the following letter: "Dear Mr. Kidder—I have just received from Port Moresby the following stamps, which I think have not yet been chronicled: 1d, 2½d, 4d and 6d, all with large 'Papua', perf. 12½, small holes; Crown A upright. The registered letter sent me was prepaid with a postmarked to order 2 shillings 6 pence stamp, and no other, punctured 'O.S.'. Half the postmark was on the stamp, but no part of it shows on the letter. Probably never before has such a thing happened in philatelic history."

Gibbons Weekly has been shown the current ½d and 2d, with a small flaw making a projection from the lower point of the sail. Both stamps come in the same position on the sheet, so this is presumably a mishap to the new central-design stone without the "rift" variety.

PHILIPPINES.—We have received the following letter from Theodore Siddall, enclosing specimens of the 6c, 10c and 30c values, in new shades: "The new colors of the 6, 10 and 30 centavo stamps are out, and are on sale here, having appeared a couple of days ago. I suppose the 6 and 10c will be classed as shades only by the know-it-alls, as they have done with the 2c and 4c that have already appeared; but if you will compare them with the new U. S. and then with all the shades of these values that have so far appeared you will see that there is a real difference and not of shade. The 2, 4 and 10c never did run much to shades, but there are plenty of shades of the 6c, as is to be expected with a purple stamp."

Adhesives.

6c dark purple.
10c dark blue.
30c pale ultramarine.

PORTUGUESE COLONIES.—*Ewen's Weekly* says that the stamps for all the Colonies are being overprinted "Republica", though it is not known how many stamps with portrait of King Manuel are likely to be so treated.

RHODESIA.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the new set of stamps issued November 11, by the British South Africa Co., for use in Rhodesia. The stamps were engraved and printed by Waterlow & Sons, the portraits being by Downey, and differ materially from previous issues. They bear the portraits of King George and Queen Mary, the consent of His Majesty having been specially given in view of the visit to Rhodesia of His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught, as the representative of His Majesty. The stamps are of large size, like the Quebec Tercentenary series, the words "British South Africa—Company" appearing at the top in two curved lines, with the values in figures and letters in small ovals in the upper corners. The values do not appear in words anywhere on the stamps. The lower part of the stamps is divided into two parts by a slender pillar, with ornamental capital and base, the portrait of the Queen appearing at the left and the King at the right. The portraits are not framed, and the background shades off into the shading of the frame in such a way as to produce a soft and pleasing effect, and sometimes a distinct color where the two join. All but the four lower values are in two colors. They are printed on paper watermarked rosette.

Adhesives.

½d green.
1d carmine.
2d gray.
2½d ultramarine.
3d olive bistre and violet.
4d orange and black.
5d olive and black.
6d lilac and brown.
3d mauve and black.
10d violet and carmine.
1sh blue green and black.
2sh ultramarine and black.
2sh 6d lake and black.
3sh mauve and blue green.
5sh green and brown red.
7sh 6d blue and carmine.
10sh brown orange and blue green.
1 black and lake brown.

UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.—We are indebted to A. C. Roessler for a specimen of the new stamp issued to commemorate the opening of the first Parliament of the Union. It is certainly a handsome stamp, though we note that some of the English papers are criticizing it because the name of one of the states appears as "Orange Free State" instead of "Orange River Colony". The reason, however, is not difficult to find, as what might seem appropriate for a recently conquered colonial province might be highly objectional for a state which becomes one of the sovereign parts of the "Union of South Africa".

URUGUAY.—We are indebted to Dr L. A. Micheloni and H. Cormack for specimens of the new Uruguay provisional noted last week. Dr. Micheloni says that the stamp was issued in Montevideo October 6, 1910. The *Postage Stamp* says 300,000 copies were printed.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—We hear upon good authority that John N. Luff will re-enter the employ of the Scott Stamp and Coin Co., taking the place made vacant by Mr. Putney.

—A paragraph in the Boston *American* announces the death of Solomon Berliner, formerly U. S. Consul at Teneriffe, Canary Islands. He was for many years an active stamp collector.

—We have received the first number of the *Gibbons Stamp Circular*. It will be issued monthly at 12c per year, the cost of postage. The introductory word tells us that Mr. Power will supply the "ginger", so that we may be assured of a lively publication. With its news features and special bargains, the *Circular* will no doubt have a large circulation.

—Chas. W. Rosenbaum submits a clipping from a San Francisco paper which states that Archer M. Huntington of New York, son of the late Collis P. Huntington, has just returned from Europe with "a strong-box full of rare stamps". The article goes on to say that Mr. Huntington now has one of the largest collections on this side of the Atlantic. He was prepared to pay a duty of several thousand dollars upon his stamps and was surprised when the customs officials informed him that stamps were not dutiable.

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OUR BOOK REVIEW.

Great Britain: Line-Engraved Stamps.—Published by the Melville Stamp Books, 47 Strand, London, Eng., price 15c post free. This is the second edition of this little work, originally published in 1909. The book before us has undergone a considerable revision in its contents, based on suggestions offered by Baron Percy de Worms in the *Journal of the Philatelic Literature Society*, and also by C. F. Dendy Marshall. We are advised that the proofs of the present edition were revised by A. B. Creeke, Jr., Charles Nisson and H. S. Hodson were the revisers of the original work and it will readily be seen that this book is as authoritative as it possibly can be. Our attention is called to a new lettering variety, the ½d with inverted "S", plate 2.

Jamaica.—This is No. 12 in the series of Melville Stamp Books, published from the same place and at the same price as the book previously referred to. The book is up to the high standard of the other books in the set, containing ninety pages of text with illustrations freely scattered throughout. The history of the postal arrangements of Jamaica contained in this work is of special interest by virtue of the fact that this is the fiftieth year of the establishment of the colonial postoffice in that island. During all this time stamps printed for the colony have been done by one firm of contractors, Messrs. De la Rue & Co. of London. The book is furnished with a pocket containing plates of the settings of the provisional overprints and a sheet of descriptive labels already gummed to use in album.

Stanley Gibbons 1911 Catalog.—Part 2 of this well-known catalog is at hand from Stanley Gibbons' New York office at 198 Broadway. It includes "foreign countries" and the price by mail is 70c. The first part, devoted to British Colonials, is promised in December, and the two books ordered and paid for now will be sent for $1.25, a goodly reduction upon the price than if obtained separately.

A lengthy review of the work before us is not called for. It is printed and illustrated along the lines of the previous catalog and the matter of prices does not belong to the editor to consider. Enough to say that the book has a tremendous fund of information, the volume containing no less than 740 pages. Our readers will be interested in the introductory word of the publishers from which can be gleaned some news of general interest.

"Owing to the visit of our Chairman to South America it has been necessary to rewrite and reprice most of the South American countries, and a great number of other countries have been entirely revised and brought up to date.

These alterations are so numerous and important that we will refer to them in some detail: —

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Siam—Entirely rewritten and all minor varieties included.

Switzerland—The later issues have been rewritten with the kind assistance of E. Zumstein.

Turkey—The sale of the stock of 26,000,000 has now taken place, and they are held in strong hands on the Continent, and the new prices have been carefully fixed, based on the new wholesale quotations.

United States—The lists have been carefully revised and priced by our E. B. Power, who has made a study of these stamps.

Uruguay—Entirely rewritten and based on the Handbook of H. Griebert.

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If our clients like this new arrangement (which has much to recommend it) we propose to extend it gradually as we can find time to rearrange our lists, albums, and stock books.

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EDITORIAL.

Here and Coming—A wonderful vista of new issues is entrancing the collector who is partial to novelties and he will be most pleasantly engaged in keeping abreast of the developments of the day. Following the new Union of South Africa stamp, a beautiful set from Rhodesia has appeared showing both King George and Queen Mary. In a circular sent out by the British South African Company, it is said: "The stamps differ materially from previous issues in that they bear the portraits of their Majesties, the King and Queen, the consent of his Majesty having been specially given in view of the visit to Rhodesia of His Royal Highness, the Duke of Connaught, who enters Rhodesian territory today as the Representative of his Majesty. The stamps upon which the word 'Rhodesia' appears for the first time as an integral part of the stamp are principally in two colours." The "Republica" surcharges of Portugal tell their own story. All indications are that the scene will be shifted frequently and sometimes suddenly on the new issue stage for some time to come.

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Type One—A correspondent says that George R. Tuttle has a superb strip of three of the one-cent blue, first design, United States, on the cover, two of the stamps being of type I that was mentioned at some length in the issue of November 19th. It is shown that type I existed side by side on one plate at least, as the two examples to which our attention is called are described as with "full scrolls under line and also in corners;" although on the right side of the second copy of type I, the scrolls are comparatively indistinct, we are told.

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Awaiting Confirmation—A Continental paper is authority for the statement that the new two pence, violet, Great Britain, head of King Edward, of which the whole stock had been destroyed, according to official assurance, is to be had for about five dollars a copy. This is the stamp that has been described in the newspapers as being of the greatest rarity, or practically non-existent in consequence of the action of the British authorities. While the statement of the paper may not be absolutely convincing, yet there must be some tangible basis for the declaration that is made. We predict that the government will make some pertinent inquiries if it is found that the stamps are actually in philatelic circulation.

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A Hit—To all appearances the news item sent out by the Associated Press telling of Archer M. Huntington's purchase of $50,000 worth of stamps while in Europe was an advertising ten-strike for philately. The item was printed in the evening papers dated November 18th and the results were instantaneous, almost. Seemingly, the item appealed to non-philatelists particularly, as it has been called to our attention by many of them who are willing to dismiss it as a topic for conversation only after due deliberation and discussion. As showing the value of a touch of "human interest" in an item of this kind, the sentence "Mr. Huntington was prepared on his arrival to pay a duty of $12,000 on his stamps and was disappointed when the customs officials informed him that stamps were not dutiable," usually is mentioned and with varying comment. The despatch could not have been improved upon in some of its phases had it been ordered and prepared by a philatelic bureau of publicity.

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Pushing Philately—E. E. Hecker, Lyons, Iowa, writes: "Some time ago, I wrote a letter and it was published in the WEEKLY telling of my desire as one of the trustees of the Clinton Free Public Library to have placed on the shelves of the library, books on stamps and stamp collecting. There were a number of responses in the way of donations of books and pamphlets from different persons, whose names as donors will appear in the next annual report of the library. As showing the progress made in fulfilling our philatelic ambition, I enclose a clipping from the Clinton *Advertiser;* the arrangement of the philatelic section is the work of A. L. Schuyler, Clinton, Iowa, assisted by our capable librarian, Miss Mulaney. I am very much encouraged over the beginning that has been made." The article written by Mr. Schuyler and published in the Clinton *Daily Advertiser* is a fitting representation of philately and it includes as an appendix a list of the philatelic books and pamphlets in the library; though the philatelic section is still a modest one, it is not without importance. Here is an excerpt from the article and the quoted paragraph is about as concise and yet complete and compact a catalogue of "advantages of philately" for the boy, as we have seen for many a day: "Beyond this knowledge of geography, history and world political changes, the boy as he develops into the man learns many things in detail, variations of the printers' and engravers' art, the texture and manufacture of papers, the finest gradations and distinctions of colors, and above all is taught and developed quick perception of minute details and orderly classification, coupled with a sense of the beautiful and artistic arrangement." One of the sub-heads of the article is "Clinton Library Takes an Advance Step."

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Glad to Oblige—We have been asked to give space to the following announcement. Postmaster-General Hitchcock in his annual report will urge congress to authorize the delivery of parcels weighing so much as eleven pounds, on rural delivery lines; this is the weight limit for international parcels post. In other words it is proposed to try a sample of the parcels post before the plan is proposed for adoption nationally, as may be gathered from the following recital:

"This form of service, it is maintained, can be conducted with little, if any, additional expense to the government. It will not require the appointment of more carriers, for those already employed have the necessary equipment in the way of horses and wagons to distribute the parcels as well as the ordinary mail.

A rural parcels post of the kind proposed, if successfully conducted, probably would lead the department to attempt a more general system. Mr. Hitchcock believes, however, that before the parcels service is extended to the whole country definite information should be obtained as to the nature and volume of business to be handled.

He accordingly urges that, in conjunction with the experiment on rural routes, a further inquiry be authorized by Congress in order that the department may be in a better position to develop the system on conservative lines. He recommends that a special appropriation for the inquiry be granted at the coming session."

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Not Probable—St. Helena is to be abandoned by the British government if the reports that some of the newspapers are circulating may be given credence. The "solitary island" is a charge instead of an asset to the crown and its revenues are decreasing, it is said. It is very unlikely that St. Helena will be cast adrift from the British Empire; it is a "solitary isle" true enough and not very productive but then there are Asuncion and Tristan d'Acunha islands as more striking examples of splendid isolation. Furthermore, industry is being encouraged in St. Helena, a government lace school having been established there, with gratifying results. Collectors need not expect that the ownership of St. Helena will be changed in any hurry.

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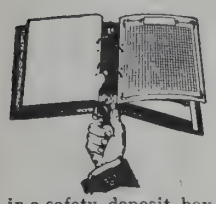

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NOTES ON BISECTED PROVISIONALS.

(Continued from page 407.)

The first split to appear was the ½d on half of 1d purple, issued on September 3rd, 1893. The adhesive used to provide the required ½d value was the 1d purple of Great Britain overprinted BRITISH PROTECTORATE OIL RIVERS. The provisional surcharge "½d" was applied twice to the stamp diagonally with a dividing bar (bottom left to top right) in *red* ink. The sheets of 120 stamps (ten rows of 12) were surcharged in horizontal rows of twelve at a time. The first row on the sheet was done in *violet* ink, but as the colour blended too much with the stamp, the remaining rows were printed off in *red*. It is said only four sheets of this provisional were overprinted.

Of the remaining provisionals issued I cannot do better than quote Mr. Daun's remarks in *Africa: Part III:*

"Owing to the dearth of Half-penny and One Penny stamps at Opobo and Old Calabar during the months of May to October, 1894, recourse had to be made to provisional stamps of these values. A sheet of the One Penny dark blue stamps of 1893 had the stamp bisected vertically at Opobo in May, 1894, and each half surcharged '½' in red in upright figures, thus making 120 Half-penny stamps. A second sheet of the same One Penny stamps, but this time of the light blue colour, was also similarly treated in August of the same year at Opobo, making another 120 provisional Half-penny stamps.

As there were no more of the One Penny blue stamps in stock and as Half-penny stamps were still required at Opobo, a sheet of the One Penny vermilion stamps of 1894 was surcharged '½' in the same way as before described, except that the surcharge was printed in black-blue or violet ink, and that part of the stamps were divided diagonally instead of vertically. A further 120 Half-penny stamps were thus created, and these appear to have lasted until the month of October following, when on the supply of this value again becoming exhausted at Opobo, a second sheet of the One Penny vermilion stamps were surcharged '½.'

In June and October, 1894, the stock of One Penny stamps was for the time being completely used up at Opobo, and in order to provide stamps of this value, half a sheet in June and a whole sheet in October were taken of the Two Pence of Issue I (Oil Rivers 2d), and the stamps were bisected vertically and each half was surcharged with a numeral '1,' this making in all 300 provisional One Penny stamps. Nearly the whole number had the surcharge struck in vermilion with the numeral '1,' measuring 12 mm. in height, but some of the stamps apparently were surcharged in carmine with a small numeral '1,' which measures 4¾ mm. in height. Only two specimens are known of this variety, one of which is from the top of a sheet, and it has the postmark distinctly over the surcharge."

As the numbers printed were in no case very large, all the above "splits" are rare and seldom seen.

Pahang.—In 1897 this state issued some very primitive bisecteds, which consisted of the value being surcharged in manuscript and then initialled "J. F. O." The last three letters stand for John Fortescue Owen, the district Treasurer at Kuala Lipis, where the provisionals were issued.

The 5c blue was the adhesive which underwent the surcharging and bisecting, the denominations required being a 2c and a 3c. Red ink was employed, except in very few cases where the surcharging was done in black. A point worthy of note is that the surcharging was applied as required. So it is not uncommon to see a whole 5c unsevered surcharged 2c on one half and 3c on the other!

Prince Edward Island.—The issue of 1861 for this island consisted of only three values, so it is not surprising to find that recourse had to be taken to the use of provisionals. The values required were a 1d value and some combination to make up the 7½d rate. The former was obtained by bisecting the 2d rose, whilst the latter was made possible by bisecting the 3d blue and using it in conjunction with the 6d stamp, or else two 3d stamps. Both these splits were sanctioned by the *Government Gazette,* and, as few passed through the post, are very scarce. The stamps were "split diagonally.

St. Christopher.—In March, 1865, the stock of ½d stamps ran out, with the result that the 1d rose was overprinted "Half-penny" twice diagonally and then bisected. The surcharge was printed in black, and was irregularly executed, as sometimes it was found reading downwards as well as upwards, while in length it varies from 14 to 15 mm. The "split" is fairly common—for this class of provisional—being catalogued at 4sh 6d or 15sh for an unsevered pair.

St. Lucia.—In 1892 (early) the stock of ½d stamps ran out. To supply the demand the 6d lilac and blue stamp of 1887 was bisected vertically down the centre, each half having previously been overprinted "½d" in black. This split is by no means rare, as a fairly large quantity were used. There are two varieties of the "d" in "½d," while another variety shews no fraction bar in "½."

St. Vincent.—The two bisections of this colony seem to possess a particular fascination for collectors, as they are almost invariably snapped up at once from dealers' stockbooks, and at auction competition is also keen.

On account of the supply of 1d stamps becoming exhausted in the latter part of 1880, it was found necessary to issue a provisional. Accordingly, the 6d blue-green was taken and surcharged "1d." in red, while the stamp was perforated by a machine gauging 12 vertically down the centre. The surcharges were applied in large bold type, the effect of the red upon the green stamp being distinctly effective.

In the following year (1881) a decree sanctioned the use—for the first time—of a ½d denomination. As appears to have often been the case, the authorities only began to think about the supply of ½d stamps after, or at the time, the decree was issued. In the meantime the necessary value was supplied by surcharging a quantity of the 6d yellow-green stamps "½d." in red (two on each stamp). The adhesives were then perforated 12 vertically down the centre, and were much the same to look at as the previous bisected provisional.

The 1d "split" is much the rarer of the two, being catalogued (unused) at £7, or an unsevered pair £18. The second half-stamp can be obtained for about 35sh, unused, or £3, used.

Tobago.—Like St. Vincent, this colony also issued a 1d provisional surcharged on ½ of 6d in 1880 (November). The surcharging however, differed, as in this case it was written in pen and ink (black). The stamp was then cut vertically down the centre. The "split" is a rare one, being worth about £6 used.

From the above list it will be seen that the British West Indies had a particularly strong affection for the bisected provisional, as the B. W. I. are responsible in the above list for by far the greater portion of the *authorized* bisects or splits.

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—A. O. Schuyler of Clinton, Iowa, sends us a copy of the local *Daily Advertiser* containing a column article concerning the books in the public library of Clinton dealing with stamps and stamp collecting. The list shows a wide range of publications and among the bound periodicals we note MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

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ITEMS FROM THE ENGLISH PRESS.

By CHARLES E. JENNEY.

Gibbons Stamp Weekly for Oct. 29th contains the continuation of Melville's work on "Postage Stamps in the Making", this section being devoted to a biographical index of artists and engravers of postage stamps. This in itself will take considerable space as four pages are devoted to carrying it through the letter C. From this some idea of the completeness and scope of the whole work can be gathered. Bertram Poole's article on "Holland" takes up the second issue, giving quite full data on it. D. B. Armstrong, in his articles on "Twentieth Century Colonials", takes up Seychelles and gives some interesting facts and figures in connection therewith. We are more and more impressed with the completeness of information secured by diligent students about stamp issues, even of the remote past. Some day a catalogue may appear which will give, in addition to all the memoranda now attached, the number of each stamp issued.

From illustrations in several of the English periodicals of the new Chilian commemorative set, printed by the American Bank Note Co., it will be seen that the general style of our Columbian issue is being employed, and to very good advantage.

The Earl of Crawford's "Abstracts from Specifications of Patents Connected with Stamps", copied from the U. S. Patent Office, are worth reading. The devices range from the most useful to the most impractical but all display the extreme eccentricity of genius. Taken together, they show the slow but sure development of the best principles.

Gibbons Stamp Weekly for Nov. 5th carries on Poole's article on "Holland", treating the two dies of the third issue. No very valid conclusion is reached as to why there were made two dies, especially as it is shown that unsevered pairs exist representing both dies.

Reports from the English press generally indicate considerable interest in the Manuel series of Portuguese stamps. Not alone philatelists, but the general public, seize on an opportunity to preserve such historical souvenirs of an eventful occasion.

Cornelius Wrinkle, in the *Postage Stamp*, sounds a sane note when he says, "Personally I do not think it very desirable that any stimulus should be given by philatelists to the issue of imitation stamps such as advertising labels,whether they advertise exhibitions, charities or dessicated soup." He heads his remarks with the new-turned phrase, "Charity that Begins with Speculation" and calls attention to the deceit practiced by those who, ostensibly buying charity stamps to promote charity, frequently have in view an ulterior (though mistaken) idea of personal gain through speculation in their advance in value as the years go by. Another feature which he does not bring up is that such stamps attached to letters tend to confuse postal clerks, and in fact, as seen in rulings on the Red Cross labels last year and advance warnings this year, some foreign countries refuse admittance of such mail matter, while others permit only such to come in as have the label stuck on the back. It would not be at all surprising nor at all unwarrantable should our own postoffice department eventually stop the use of all unnecessary labels upon mail matter.

The lists or programs of the various English philatelic societies, as published in their official organs, look very attractive to us, and I venture to say that were some of our societies to prepare such a list of attractions, collectors would travel some distance to participate in the benefits.

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SHADES OF THE LINE-ENGRAVED 6d QUEENSLAND.

Surely the greatest delight that can befall a keen philatelist is to be able to acquire for a very reasonable sum a hoard of unsorted stamps of a country he specializes in. Such fortune came my way a year ago. I happened to be in a well known dealer's office when he had just received from an unknown country correspondent a parcel of about 150 early Queensland stamps, for which the owner was asking the modest sum of $20.00. Knowing my fondness for the early stamps of Qeensland, the dealer, after a very hurried glance through his purchase, told me I could have them for $45.00 if I liked.

As they all were practically in superb condition, I accepted his offer and will leave the reader to judge whether he considers that the dealer, or I, had the better of the bargain. The main reason why I was so pleased with my purchase was that the majority of the stamps were of the sixpenny value and I had long held a theory concerning the relative rarity of some of the shades of this denomination. For the purpose of this short article I only propose to deal with the sixpenny stamps that were in my purchase, as they numbered ninety-two they formed a goodly proportion.

Of these ninety-two stamps, at least seventy were exceptionally fine specimens—a most unusually high proportion—the remaining twenty-two were more or less heavily cancelled. With one exception, all these ninety-two stamps were postmarked with a similar cancellation, namely, the numerals "25" enclosed in a concentric circle of dashes, the usual type used for obliterating early Queensland stamps. A classification of these stamps only strengthened my belief that the *deep green* stamps—all through the truncated star, and Q and Crown series of the line-engraved stamps, are much underpriced—especially when the relative values of the other and more numerous shades are taken into consideration.

By the *deep* green shades I mean those stamps that truly show a deep—sometimes bluish—green tinge and not merely deep shades of the green, or yellow-green stamps.

As a list of Gibbons' numbers is apt to convey nothing, or worse than nothing, to the ordinary collector's mind—even granted he specialises a little in the country mentioned—I will give a *resumé* of the ninety-two stamps, as I feel sure it will interest specialists of Australian stamps, especially those who are fascinated by the beautiful early prints of Queensland.

1860-61. Large Star, Clean-cut Perfs. 14 to 16.
S.G. No. 6, 6d green, 2 copies.
1861. Small Star, Rough Perfs. 14 to 16.
S.G. No. 17, 6d green, 2 copies.
1862-67. No Wmk., Thick Paper, Square Holes.
S.G. No. 26, 6d green, 5 copies.
" " 27, 6d yellow-green, 15 copies.
Ditto. Round Holes.
S.G. No. 31, 6d green, 6 copies.
" " 31a, 6d yellow-green, 9 copies.
1864-65. Wmk. Star, Perf. 12½ to 13.
S.G. No. 34, 6d deep yellow-green, 3 copies.
" " 34a, 6d deep green, 1 copy.
1868-74. Wmk. Truncated Star, Perf. 13.
S.G. No. 48, 6d deep green, 2 copies.
" " 49, 6d yellow-green, 6 copies.
Ditto. Perforated 12.
S.G. No. 56, deep green, 1 copy.

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This stamp, is a very good one to take for reference purposes, as, the perf. 12 variety is only found in the *deep* green shade.

1868-79. Wmk. Crown and Q, Perf. 13.
S.G. No. 65, 6d deep green, 3 copies
" " 66, 6d yellow-green, 16 "
" " 67, 6d apple-green, 1 copy

No. 67, namely the apple green shade, is a scarcer stamp than the catalogue price would lead one to believe. Frequently I have seen, in collections and even in dealers' stock-books yellow-greens which were called "apples" and an ordinary green, corresponding to the green shade of the perf. 12 issue, which was dubbed deep green.

Ditto, Perf. 12.
S. G. No. 78, 6d deep green, 3 copies
" " 79, 6d green, 11 "
" " 79a, 6d yellow-green, 5 "
" " 80, 6d apple green, 1 copy

Here again the real apple-green shade is a desirable stamp.

As all the stamps mentioned above were used on letters sent from one town, over a period of probably about fifteen years they should prove a fairly reliable guide to the relative rarity of the various issues and shades.—*Phil. Journal of Gt. Britain.*

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JAMAICA, AMONG THE LLANDOVERIES.

By ASTLEY CLERK.

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You are a stamp collector, reader? If you are the sort I hope you are, then come with me and let us wander for a little while amid the beauties of Llandovery.

"Llandovery," I can hear you say in much surprise, "surely the most uninteresting part of the (philatelic) world to go to, a positive waste of time."

You may be a stamp collector, my friend, but you are most certainly not a philatelic student; and, in my opinion, the mere collecting of anything without attempting to gain information about it and from it is a bald pastime. Hence I classify stamp collectors under three headings: (1) the money-maker, whose only object in collecting is a monetary one; (2) the individual whose pride lies in stating how many "thousands" he or she has in their collection; and (3) the person who *studies* the collection, and tries to gain from the stamps as much knowledge as is possible. Reader, I do trust that you are included in the third division? If not, then make all speed and get there, for that is where the pleasure and profit of philately are to be found.

One more question, however, before I go farther. Can you tell me where Llandovery is? "In Wales," you reply rather indignantly. Ah, well! wiser than you have thus answered, and like you too are wrong; for Llandovery, philatelic Llandovery is in Jamaica, on the historic north side of the island, among the pastures and pimento groves of St. Ann's, "the Garden of Jamaica." After leaving St. Ann's Bay, the traveller journeys westward along a road that kisses the seashore all the while, passes through Richmond sugar estate, and enters that of Llandovery; and not far from the roadside and close by a vine-covered millhouse he will come to the waterfalls seen on our Jamaica Penny Postage and Revenue stamps of 1900 and 1901. The falls are at all times beautiful, but especially so during our rainy seasons, for then the flow of water is heavy and dashes over the rocks with a thunderous sound, while the cool white spray flies in all directions, like coffee blossoms dropping from the trees and blown here and there by the wind. Often the river suddenly and unexpectedly rises—caused by the rains which fall in the mountains.

The *red* and original Llandovery was introduced to the public on the 3rd May, 1900, when the following official notice appeared in the columns of the *Jamaica Gazette:*

"Stamp Office, 2nd May, 1900.

"The following is a description of a new design of One Penny Postage and Revenue stamps which have been put into circulation on the first inst.:—

Colour . . Carmine.
Shape . . Rectangular.
Design . . A view of Llandovery Falls.

"E. Jordan Andrews,
"Stamp Commissioner."

The stamp had been long promised, and somewhat tardily commemorated the entrance of Jamaica into the circle of the Imperial Penny Postage, which took place on the 24th May, 1899, the birthday of her late Majesty Queen Victoria, as she was designated in our official documents, the "Lady Supreme of Jamaica." It was most fiercely attacked, for, although the view certainly illustrates one of the many aspects of Xaymaca, the land of wood and water, yet the size, some said, required an extra large tongue; the colour was pronounced inartistic; the very name of the Falls was said to be distinctly misleading, as it carried the reader away from Jamaica to the principality of Wales; it was asserted that the general design was so made as to defeat the attempt of forgers, on the assumption that no forger yet born would be ingenious enough to copy such a monstrosity; and the watermark, Crown CC sideways, unstopped the seven vials of wrath. What a howl of indignation arose when it was discovered that the label was so watermarked, not because of the unnatural position of the letters as on account of the letters, "CC," themselves. Newspapers and their readers protested against their use; "Crown CC," wrote one editor, "signifies Crown Colony," a system of government that had done little of good and much of harm for our island. It was pointed out that our Tobacco stamps, issued about the same period, but for a long time now withdrawn, also bore the hated letters, and the question was asked, "Was the watermark just an error, or a deliberate act?" Little as these two letters are, and hidden away as they may be, yet they were the means of arousing our people to a fever heat of excitement. Years have passed by since then, and the mystery has been simply and satisfactorily explained; and, as far as the watermark is concerned, it is now acknowledged that the authorities meant neither harm nor insult by using the "CC," but as the Llandoveries were larger than our ordinary stamps they had to be printed on the Crown CC paper used for the large-sized high values of other colonies.

At the time many people believed that this first issue was but the forerunner of a series illustrative of our scenery, but, if the Government ever contemplated it, the outcry against its crude design and large size evidently made them drop the idea.

The Llandoveries were printed in two colours—*carmine* in 1900 and *black and carmine* in 1901—the designs differing slightly, as will be seen on close comparison. The second issue had a movable centre, so as to permit the double printing—the former were sarcastically dubbed "Red Flags," the latter "Blackboards," one newspaper writer avowing that each time he placed a 1901 stamp on an envelope he thought he was in school again and standing before the blackboard.

Both issues are among our unified stamps, and were required to do duty on postage and revenue matter, but as a receipt stamp the later issue was a decided failure, as *black* ink would not show clearly upon the *black* picture, hence their withdrawal.

If you will look right above the "RY" you will see what looks like a man with his right hand slightly raised, and a broad-brimmed hat on his head. This has been most seriously stated, locally at least, to be Sir Henry Blake, Governor-General of the Island at the time the photo of the Falls was taken; but Dr. James Johnson, who took the picture from which the design of the stamp was afterwards copied (without his leave), assures me that neither Sir Henry Blake nor any one else was there at the time, and that the supposed man is but a rock standing out of the waters. This story, however, may have had its origin in the legend connected with the place. Tradition has it that some four hundred years ago, when Jamaica was but a young Spanish colony, a son of lordly Spain fell in love with the daughter of an Arawak Cacique (or chief)—his love was not returned. Opposition but inflamed his passion and aroused his determination, and he swore by the Holy Virgin to win his love or die. One day, when the clouds hung low and black, and the rain was damp in the air they met—the Spanish Don and the Indian maid—on the banks of Llandovery, close to the *then* gently murmuring stream. His eyes, as he saw her, laughed with the triumph of victory; he leaped forward, seized her hands, bent low and whispered in her ear. Like a startled cony the maiden raised her head, and with the fire of fear and hate pouring out of her beautiful eyes, she threw a glance of scorn at him; then, suddenly, wrenched her hands from out his grasp and sprang, before her purpose dawned on him, into the midst of the stream. He, manlike, and mad with desire, leaped after her, but at the moment a roar broke on his ear, and as he looked up the river he saw a mountain of water rushing down on him—he saw her too smiling triumphantly at him and yet calmly awaiting the coming flood of waters; he saw when she was caught up and flung against the rock (seen) in the middle and higher part of the stream, and then he turned to fly; but too late, for the waters were on him, they caught him in their cold embrace, they bore him down into their chilly depths and swept him over the rocks to the death which he had sworn to meet if he should lose her. The rock above the "RY" is said, by the Indian legend, to be the Spanish lover's remains.

Both the Llandoveries, one colour and two colours, were printed only in sheets of sixty stamps; of the former there were but two printings, according to a schedule sent me by Messrs. De La Rue and Co., at the order of our Government. The first is dated July 10, 1900, 64,768; the second February 4, 1901, 28,150.

There is some difference between the printers' first date (July 10) and the official authorization (May 2) of these *red* Llandoveries, a difference of over two months—probably *January* 10 was intended to be written. Although these two printings total only 92,918, and despite the fact that Messrs. De La Rue and Co. are unquestionably the most careful stamp printers known in the world, yet these stamps show a fair amount of variety in watermarks, a peculiarity not so frequently found among the *black and carmine* stamps of the following year. In the ordinary stamp, which I designate in my private catalogue as No. 40, the Crown is to be found at the left-hand side and the letters "CC" (reversed when looked at from the back of the stamp) at the right. But I have a sheet of sixty in which the watermark is inverted, that is, the Crown is at the right and the letters (as before) at the left.

This variety I list as 40 V, and in every hundred duplicates you will usually find five or six of these errors. Then comes variety 2, the *reversed* watermark (which I list as 40 B); in this the Crown is at the right, as it should be, but the letters read the right way when looked at from the back. Variety 3, to which I refer as No. 40 D, and call the "inverted slip-block watermark," shows the letters at the right (reversed), and the Crown below them at the left, the paper having been placed in the press too much to one side.

It would be interesting to find a sheet of this variety, as, I would presume, the right-hand margin edging would be watermarked with the letters, while the margin on the left would contain the missing Crown. But the rarest of all these errors is the combined inverted and reversed watermark, which I list as No. 40 E, where the Crown is at the right, and thus becomes inverted (*vide* No. 40 V), while the letters read the right way, and thus become reversed (*vide* No. 40 B).

In 2200 duplicates of the *carmine* stamps I found the following errors of watermark:

	110 inverted.	(40 V)
	56 inverted slip-block	(40 D)
	11 reversed,	(40 B)
and only	2 inverted-reversed,	(40 E)

The two-colour Llandoveries (blackboards) were issued in the following year. The official notice is found in the *Jamaica Gazette* of the 26th September, 1901, and reads thus:

"Stamp Office, Kingston,
"25th September, 1901.

"The following is a description of the new issue of One Penny Postage and Revenue Stamps which are to be put into circulation on the 25th inst.:—

"Colour—Black centre and carmine border.
"Shape—Rectangular.
"Design—A view of Llandovery Falls.

"E. Jordan Andrews,
"Stamp Commissioner."

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Paine, Chas. B., 525 Garfield Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio; age 27; Purchasing Agent with The Bishop & Babcock Co. Reference: Benedict & Mueller, Furriers, Cleveland. Proposed by W. H. Barnum, No. 585.

Koechlin, Afred, Liebeggong 18a, Berne, Switzerland; age 52; Civil Engineer. Reference: The L. Schruber & Sons Iron Works, Cincinnati, Ohio. Proposed by Willard O. Wylie, No. 1689.

Witmer, Earl Elwood, Richmond Center, Pa.; age 16; Student. Reference: Howard R. Moyer, Druggist, Quakertown, Pa. Proposed by Roberts Scypes, No. 2517. Guarantor: Eli J. Witmer (Father).

Eames, Edward A., 507 White Bldg., Buffalo, N. Y.; age 38; Electrical Engineer. References: Commonwealth Trust Co., Buffalo; F. B. Griffith, Jr., No. 1836, Buffalo. Proposed by Geo. B. Graham, No. 3544.

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W. H. BARNUM, Sec.

REPORT OF COUNTERFEIT DETECTOR.

NEW YORK, Nov. 10th, 1910.

On page 384 I stated in my report that certain U. S. cut square envelopes had been artificially changed from buff to orange which had been sent out by a "stamp company" in Baltimore. I desire to state that the firm referred to was not the well known Chesapeake Stamp Company. The statement is made to avoid any possible misunderstanding.

J. M. BARTELS, Cft. Detector.

STAMPS WANTED.

The Educational Committee is in urgent need of the following Philippine Island stamps: Scott's Nos. 401, ⅛c green; 402, 1m rose; 403, 2m blue; 404, 5m dark brown; 76, 2c rose; 141, 2 4-8c dull blue; 154, 2 4-8c olive gray; 226, 1c green; 242, 4c carmine. Offers are invited for any quantity up to 5000 of each. Stamps must be lightly cancelled if used.

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IVER R. JOHNSON, Sec.-Treas.,
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BRANCH REPORT.

Buffalo.— The 17th meeting was held Thursday evening, Nov. 17th, at 1025 Fidelity Bldg., with seven members present. The general collection of G. B. Graham was exhibited and circuit books examined.—F. P. JAMES, Acting Sec.

The New England Philatelic Association.

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The December meeting of the N. E. P. A. will be held at the Club rooms of the Boston Philatelic Society, Tremont Building, Room 322, Boston, Mass., on Tuesday, December 13th, 1910. Meeting called to order at 8 P. M. sharp. Report of the Committee for the Sixteenth Annual Jollification is due at this meeting. Come and hear what your committee have in store for you at the January 1911 meeting.

ALEX P. BROWN, Sec.

PAN-AMERICAN PHILATELIC PAPERS.

The following directory of philatelic journals published in Latin America was compiled by Philip Wolff, Cambridge, Mass., and should have appeared in a previous issue. The list will be of interest, particularly to those who are capable of cultivating relations with philatelists in the southern republics through the medium of the Spanish language: —

Mexico Filatelico, monthly, 3 francs; Charles Pinon, Calle 3a de Medinas 57, Mexico, D. F., Mexico.

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Matanzas Filatelica, monthly, $1 U. S. currency; Gregorio de la Rosa, Cuba 12, Matanzas, Cuba.

Revista de la Sociedad Filatelica Argentina, "two-monthly", $1 U. S. currency; Abel Fontaine, Casilla de Correo 1265, Buenos Aires, Argentine.

Uruguay Postal, monthly, 60c U. S. currency; J. T. Aris, Sarandi 114, Salto, Uruguay.

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Gold Coast 1902, 2s green and carmine, perforated initials, not fine	.70	.14
*Guatemala, Prov., 1886, 1c on 2c brown (No. 42d)	.08	.02½
1902, 2p red, orange & black (No. 123), scarce stamp, missing in most collections	.30	.12
1909, 6c bistre and dark blue, Jubilee, Manuel Garcia Granados	?	.02
Hawaii 1893, Prov. Govt., 1c green (No. 55)	.06	.02½
* 1893, 10c black (No. 61), mint	.40	.14
* 1894, 1c orange, mint	.05	.02
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By D. B. ARMSTRONG.

In 1900 the territories in Western Africa, formerly administered by the Royal Niger Company, were acquired by purchase by the British Government and transferred to the control of the Colonial Office, the purchase price being £856,895. The southern portion of these territories was annexed to the old Niger Coast Protectorate, and created a new Crown colony under the title of Southern Nigeria, and the northern portion established on a similar basis and christened Northern Nigeria.

Stamps first issued March, 1900.

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A first consignment of postage stamps bearing the King's portrait, for use in Northern Nigeria, was received at Lokoja, from the Crown Agents in London, on May 28th, 1902, and was placed on sale on July 1st following. At the same time the remainders of the Queen's Head series on hand at the General Post Office were withdrawn from use and destroyed, but the up-country post offices were permitted to retain their stocks, which were used up in the ordinary manner. The new stamps were printed from Plate "1" of the De La Rue, Postage and Revenue, general colonial keyplate, and, save for the fact that the head of King Edward VII replaced that of the late Queen Victoria, show no great difference from the similar series of Queen's Head stamps issued in 1900.

July 1st, 1902.

King's Head design, inscribed "POSTAGE & REVENUE." Wmk. Crown CA (single). Perf. 14. Name and value in second colour. Typographed by Messrs. De La Rue and Co. in London, in sheets of 120, two panes of 60, ten rows of six, with plate number "1" in white on a solid disc of colour at all four corners of the sheet; the panes surrounded by continuous Jubilee lines in the same colour as the body of the stamp.

½d, lilac and green.
1d " carmine.
2d " yellow.
2½d " ultramarine.
5d " chestnut.
6d " violet.
1s, green and black.
2s 6d " blue.
10s " brown.

This series remained current until 1905, during the course of which year it was superseded by one of the same design having the Multiple Crown CA watermark. Included in this series is a stamp of the enormous face value of £25, which though issued in the colony as far back as April, 1904, remained for a long time unknown to philatelists, and was not included in the catalogues until 1906. Although this stamp is printed from the same key-plate as the remaining values of the current series, and, being inscribed "POSTAGE & REVENUE," is doubtless available for postal use if required, it seems improbable that it can have been issued in response to any existing demand f[illegible]ch a denomination for postal use, [illegible]cially in view of the fact that No[illegible]n Nigeria is not a gold-producing [illegible]try, and does not export any articles [illegible]ch could very well be despatched by registered mail; its use is in all probability confined to fiscal purposes, such as the transfer of deeds and titles of properties, concessions, etc.

1904-5.

Design, etc., as before. Wmk. Multiple Crown CA. Unsurfaced paper. Dates of issue appended in brackets.

½d, lilac and green (October 20th, 1905).
1d " carmine (August, 1905).
2d " yellow (October 20th, 1905).
2½d " ultramarine (October 20th, 1905).
5d " chestnut (October 20th, 1905).
6d " violet (October 20th, 1905).
1s, green and black (October 20th, 1905).
2s 6d " blue (October 20th, 1905).
£25 " red (April, 1904).

Seven values have so far been issued on chalk-surfaced paper, as follows:—

1906-9.

Design, watermark, etc., as above. Chalk-surfaced paper. Dates of issue appended in brackets.

½d, lilac and green (October, 1907).
1d " carmine (December 5th, 1906).
2d " orange (June 13th, 1908).
5d " chestnut (February, 1909).
6d " violet (May 6th, 1907).
1s, green and black (April 23rd, 1907).
2s 6d, green and blue (June 9th, 1909).

The two lowest denominations have recently made their appearance printed in single colours, in conformity with the regulations of the Universal Postal Union.

1910.

Design, etc., as before. Single colours. Wmk. Multiple Crown CA. Unsurfaced paper.

½d, green (April 15th, 1910).
1d, rose (January 30th, 1910).

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THE NEW WATERMARK.

By L. HARALD KJELLSTEDT.

To specialists in United States issues as well as to the advanced collector, the advent of the new single line watermark will prove a source of renewed interest. Ever since the Bureau of Engraving and Printing introduced the double line U. S. P. S. watermark with the issue of 1895 the watermark feature has proved very monotonous with the exception of the discovery of two values of the issue mentioned which were found printed on paper watermarked for the Internal Revenue service. With reference to watermarks, the postal issues of the United States were ranged in two great groups: without and with watermark. We knew that everything issued after 1895 was watermarked, and that was all there was to it. The joys of the collector of British Colonial stamps were denied us. While he revelled in his CC's and CA's, his singles and multiples, and lived in an atmosphere of benzine and happiness, the U. S. specialist used his benzine cup as an ash tray and wearily scanned the growing catalog columns which followed the single heading, "Watermarked U. S. P. S."

A change has come, a new factor has entered into American philately. Now it is *double line* or *single line* watermark if you please. There is no escape. If you have recognized and collected the watermark varieties of British and British colonial issues, you cannot very well go back on your own country, and it is safe to predict that the double and single line U. S. P. S., will receive your full and cheerful attention.

At the time of writing I received the first installment from Washington, consisting of the 1 and 2 cent values, and it was with rare pleasure I placed the two blocks in the benzine cup and saw the odorous drops of the volatile liquid bring to light a departure from a monotony of 15 years' duration—a new watermark. It means so much to the philatelic mind. An entire issue is becoming obsolete and a new chapter has to be added to the history of American philately. It will include all the regular postage stamps, postage due and special delivery stamps, perforated and imperforate, partly perforated, and automatic machine perforations, all watermarked single line U. S. P. S.

Looking backward, you will probably find that your "Series of 1908" has been neglected. Everything was right at hand, ready to be picked up at your leisure, but from now on the available supply will become more and more limited, and when the post offices are sold out, the opportunities of "buying at face" will cease. There is also the possibility of some of the values becoming comparatively scarce. When an entire issue becomes obsolete it is a natural result that some values or some shades will be found more difficult to obtain than others.

The advent of the new watermark is of little or no importance to the Post Office Department and consequently it is safe to predict that no records will be kept by the officials of the dates of issue of the various values on paper with the single line watermark. It is for us philatelists to collect and record the data necessary for the future history of the new watermark issue. Judging from the time blocks of the 1c and 2c values were mailed to me by my friend, Mr. Chas. R. Morris, of Washington, D. C., who has the opportunity of getting a "first whack" at everything new, I would guess Nov. 23 as the date of issue of these two values at the Washington Post Office. The plate numbers on the blocks at hand are No. 5325 on the 2c, and No. 5441 on the 1c. There is no difference in shades from recent printings. The paper on which the 1c is printed shows a decidedly "laid" effect, even more so than was the case at one time with the 13c of series 1902. As these "worn blanket" varieties were fully explained at the time they are not liable to cause any further "laid paper" excitement.

The new single line watermark should serve to further stimulate the interest in U. S. issues and I would not be surprised to see the signs of a renewed activity on the part of American collectors.

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The lecture was admirably delivered by H. A. Diamant, the well-known Canal Zone specialist, and a member of the St. Louis Society. That his efforts were appreciated and enjoyed, was evidenced by the complimentary remarks from both philatelists and lay visitors. Walter Bain, as president of the society, made a brief prefactory address and then introduced the speaker of the evening, who entertained his audience for an hour and a half with his breezy talk on stamps, accompanied by almost one hundred colored pictures on the screen.

At the conclusion of the lecture, President Bain, in a few closing remarks, announced that souvenirs would be distributed to all in attendance before leaving the auditorium. The souvenirs were packets of stamps, which had been kindly donated by one of St. Louis' enterprising dealers, and which are hoped to form the nucleus of many a new collection in the city, though every visitor was impartially provided.

The attendance for the evening was extremely flattering. The auditorium of the Cabanne Library, with a seating capacity of several hundred, was the scene of the entertainment, and "standing room only" served as the ushers' welcome to late arrivals. As one of the daily papers expressed it, "Nearly all the stamp-collectors of St. Louis were present," but there were also collectors from Kansas City, Detroit, and other places, also a goodly number who were not collectors at all, but who probably will be, henceforth. Several new applications for membership in the society were promptly tendered.

Without doubt, the affair was a complete success from every angle of vision, and cannot but lead to a creditable advancement of philately in this city, as well as of philately at large. St. Louis is still on the map!

A WORD TO PAID PERMIT COLLECTORS.

By A. C. Whelan.

I think a great many permit collectors are laboring under a misapprehension in regard to these labels. Every little while I notice in the new issue column a lot of space taken up by someone reporting a new find in "paid permits".

As I understand it, a "1c paid" or whatever "paid" is printed on a wrapper means what it says only after the post office has accepted it in the mails. When a firm sends the permits they send a great many at one time that weigh within the price printed in the permit. They are counted by or under the supervision of a post office clerk and are paid for in cash at so much a piece. If the firm should want to send an extra copy it would not be convenient to take it to the post office and have it counted and then pay the price of the permit. They would put a stamp of the proper denomination on the article and send it as they would any other piece of mail.

Then again a firm might have a lot of wrappers or envelopes printed say "2 cents paid", and after putting the catalogue or other printed matter in it, they might find that it would only take 1 cent to carry the article; then they would have all the wrappers printed over "1c paid", at the same time blotting out the original 2 cents, or they would put a one-cent stamp on each piece, thereby killing the permit. The same thing would happen if the article should cost three or four cents; print them all over or put a stamp of the proper size on each wrapper.

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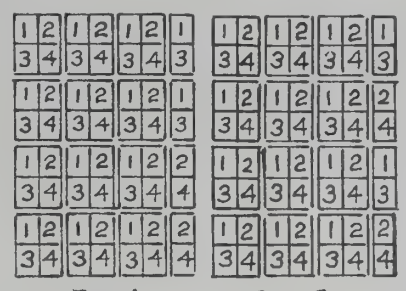
PRINTING OF 5 AND 10c 1959 PHILIPPINES.

By MAJ. F. L. PALMER.

Due to the recent purchase of a full mint sheet of the 10c (Scott's No. 11) of the Philippines issue of 1859, my attention has lately been focussed upon a problem which I find myself unable to solve satisfactorily without aid, viz:—the setting of the 5 and 10c of this issue in the various printings. As this question would also interest other specialists in these interesting stamps of our "farthest frontier", and as the needed data may be in the possession of other collectors or of dealers having large supplies or of those members of the Philatelic "Old Guard" who have wisely kept scrap-books of information published in the past, I am emboldened to appeal to them, through the columns of your valued WEEKLY, in the hope that each may give me, in a similar manner or through personal correspondence, such information as he may possess for the general good of philately as well as for my own information.

In order that it may be understood just what information is needed and its bearing on the matter at issue, it will be necessary to summarize the information already available, before stating the results of my researches in this direction. According to "The Postage Stamps of the Philippines":—The 5c has been noted in sheets of 56, 130, and 192 stamps, and the same variation may be expected of the 10c. Each group of four is separated from its neighbor by a dividing line except in the sheets of 130 where it is omitted." Also:—"Stamps surrounded individually by a frame appear to be from the edges of sheets where they were used singly in perpendicular strips to fill out the requisite number of stamps which varied with different printings." In speaking of this issue Mencarini, who is generally very accurate, says that these same sheets contain stamps not in groups of four varieties but single and each surrounded by its own separate frame; he says definitely that this is true of both the 5 and 10c. These single framed stamps are very rare, however; I have never seen the 10c in this form, and have seen but two copies of the 5c, one of which is in my own collection. And it may be added here that, as will be seen later, these stamps cannot be obtained from the vertical strips used to fill out the margins of sheets, as these latter come in vertical pairs and do not have the necssary margins outside the frame.

My studies have resulted in a belief that there were at least three different printings of the 5c, and may have been a fourth; that there were at least two printings of the 10c, but probably no more; and that all of these printings were from four lithographic stones (on which the values were changed for printing the 10c) which were arranged as follows (the various stones being numbered 1-2-3-4 and the three groups representing the three different printings):—



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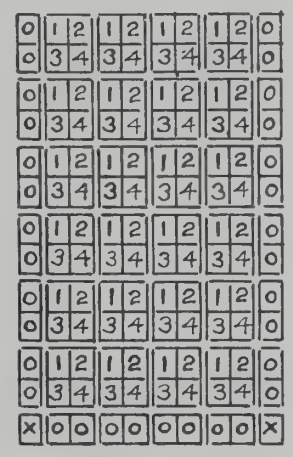

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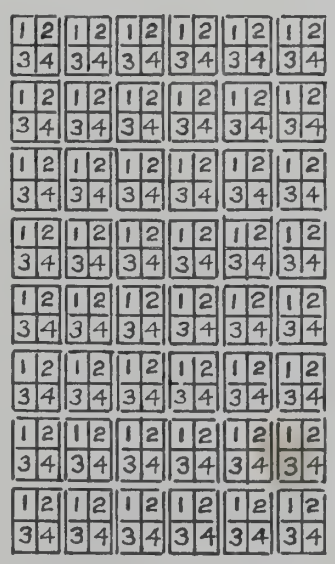

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In the settings as here given, the figures 1, 2, 3, and 4, in the stones represent the four normal varieties, and in the order in which they occur in the normal block. The symbol O is used to indicate the stamps filled in on the margins in vertical pairs, as the definite types used (and in what order) are not now known to me. The x indicates the believed position of the stamps individually surrounded by frame.

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Luxemburg, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 (1909	.08
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RENEWAL.—Arrearages are shown by the label on your wrapper. If the number on your label has been passed by the whole number on the first page of this issue kindly remit 50c for a year's subscription. Better still send $1 for a two years' subscription.

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EDITORIAL.

Much The Same—In the first advertisement of the Central Overland California and Pike's Peak Express or the Pony Express as it was familiarly called, were the following statements among others: "Telegraphic messages from all parts of the United States and Canada, in connection with point of departure will be received up to 5 o'clock p. m. of the day of leaving and transmitted over the Placerville and St. Joseph telegraph wire to San Francisco and intermediate points, by the connecting express in eight days," and "The point of departure on the Missouri River will be in telegraphic communication with the East and will be announced in due time." The announcement of the Pony Express was dated March, 1860. In the Chicago *Tribune* of recent date, we find:

"NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—It will be possible tomorrow for a merchant in San Francisco to dictate a letter to his stenographer in the morning with reasonable certainty that it will make the midafternoon steamer from New York for Europe.

This abridgment of time and distance becomes possible through a plan announced by the Western Union Telegraph company tonight.

The merchant's letter will be received by the telegraph company precisely as a message would be received, transmitted across the continent at the usual tolls and the copy at this end will be placed in a special sealed envelope, addressed as directed, and rushed to any available steamship. The only extra charge will be 5 cents for postage.

Letters should bear the full address of the foreign correspondent and must be marked 'care ocean mail,' New York, or whatever the port may be."

As it is understood that letters could be telegraphed to either terminal of the Pony Expess where they would be copied by the express officials and made into suitable form for transmission, the present day stroke of enterprise seems to have had its prototype fifty years ago.

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Good For Guatemala—The plan for the reorganization of Guatemala's financial system has been completed and it is to be established in operation soon, thereby securing for the Republic a sound system of finance. A member of the monetary commission says:

"We had three propositions under consideration for the reorganization of the republic's financial system, and we have decided to close with an American banking firm. Our first move will be to reduce the standard of exchange to a 15 to 1 or 12 to 1 basis—i. e., one United States dollar will be worth fifteen or twelve of ours, according to the basis we determine upon. The present exchange rate is 16 to 1. We shall continue to reduce until we have reached possibly a 2 to 1 basis, the present standard of Mexican money."

A central bank will guarantee the currency issues of all the banks that are connected with it.

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Don't Do It—At a fancy-dress ball in Chicago, one of the dancers was costumed to represent a letter-carrier, we are told, although it is not likely that the utmost fidelity was adhered to in the presentation. The character may have proved to be a popular one but we advise prospective imitators to curb their desire to create a sensation by appearing in the clothes of a "mail man" in view of the following explanation. In an act to further amend the postal laws passed July 27, 1868, it was provided "That the Postmaster General is hereby authorized to prescribe a uniform dress to be worn by the letter-carriers at the several free delivery offices, and that any person not connected with this branch of the service who shall wear the uniform that may be prescribed in according herewith, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and being convicted thereof, shall, for every such offense, be fined not more than one hundred dollars, or imprisoned not more than six months, or both, in the discretion of the court before which such conviction shall be had." Delivery by carriers in certain of the large cities was not instituted until a few years before this regulation was passed.

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We Strive to Please—A reader who studies postal markings on United States letters bearing stamps that are in his collection asks for information on the subject, and in the course of the following observations, some information of general interest may be gleaned. The remarks apply particularly to the earlier times and are explanatory of some of the impressions found on original covers of by-gone days. The cancellation or "killer" was an impression made by a canceller and it was sometimes used as a fixed attachment to the post-marking stamp but in all cases it was to be used in connection therewith. The postmark was a mark of a post-office on mail posted thereat, and was sometimes written. Various postmarks are found on old letters and they indicated, foreign mail, railroad mail, etc. The transportation of mail by a railroad company for which no contract was entered into was regarded as "recognized service" and accepted by the department; payment was authorized therefor under the laws and regulations of the department. The steamboat cancellation was applied on water-routes that were the medium for the transportation of the mails, when the service had been authorized by the government. As accounting for the words, Closed Mail, and Open Mail, respectively, sometimes found written on the envelopes, it was told some time ago, that "open mail was correspondence sent to an intermediary country for distribution and reforwarded to the country of destination;" and "closed mail was correspondence sent in sealed bags in transit through one or more intermediary countries." The words "Night Line" were used in connection with the marking of the Railway Post Office to distinguish route-service performed during the night from that during the day.

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Might Have Been—The celebrated curiosity in the shape of the two-cent black, design of large figure 2 in frame, stamped revenue paper of the civil war period, New York series, consisting of fifty or more printings of the stamp overlapping each other, the whole combination suggesting a tape-worm and leading it to be popularly called after it "nearly" had a companion of similar character. The paper bearing the string of stamps repeated in part were used as statements to be filled in by specie-clerks. In June, 1865, the internal revenue commissioner made a ruling in reference to a subscription list for a map for the state of Massachusetts that created some opposition among publishers of publications that were undertaken only after the required number of subscribers had been received before the fact. It was decreed that the subscription list was liable to duty as an agreement or contract and that each person who signed it was liable to the duty and should affix and cancel a five cent stamp. It is to be imagined readily that such a stipulation was considered an onerous one by the circulators of the lists and plans were proposed to remedy the objectionable feature; had any been adopted, actually a document, having a character in common with the two-cent with design repeated in part probably would have been chosen. In July, 1865, the commissioner said that when payment of the amount of the subscription was made, when the signature of the subscriber was affixed, no stamp was necessary, as under those circumstances the name was to be regarded merely as a part of a memorandum; if payment was not made in accordance with these circumstances and conditions, the person signing was liable to the stamp duty on promissory notes.

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At 25c each: 10c 1857, 5c 1866, 12c or 30c 1871 or 1873, 30c 1888, 90c 1890, 30c Columbian, $1.00 1895, 50c Omaha.
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5c 1868, cat. $4.00, embossed	1.50
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1898 Trans-Mississippi, 1c to 10c, used	.15
" " 1c to 50c, "	.35
1901 Pan American, 1c to 10c, "	.15
1904 Louisiana Purchase, 1c to 10c, "	.15
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	Cat. Price.	Ours
Soudan 1897 on Egypt, 1, 2, 3, 5m, 1pi, a good set	.76	.25
" 1898, 5m black and red	.08	.03
" 5pi green and brown	.50	.18
" 1902, O. S. G. S., 1, 3, 5m	.14	.06
" " " 1pi	.08	.03
" " " 2pi	.12	.05
" 1906, Army Off., 1m*	.50	.18
" " " 2m*	.50	.18
" " " 3m*	.75	.28
" " " 5m*	.65	.25
" " " 1pi*	2.00	.75
" " " 5pi, No.820	..	2.50
PHILIPPINES ON U. S.		
1900, 4, 6, 8c	.53	.19
1902, 3c purple	.50	.22
" 4c brown	1.00	.40
" 6c lake	.60	.20
" 8c violet	.50	.22
" 15c green	.35	.15
Rhodesia 1896, 3sh, fine	1.00	.45
Ceylon 1906, 75c King	.35	.15
So. Nigeria 1905, 1sh	.75	.32
Transvaal 1905, 2sh	.60	.28
" 1sh	.15	.05
Johore 1904, 50c	.50	.18
" $1	.90	.40
" $2	1.75	.78
Straits Sett. 1909, $5, fiscal canc.	..	.45
Canada 1897, $2 Jub	1.50	.55
India 1895, 5 rupees	1.50	.55
" 3 rupees	.50	.18
Austrian Lev. 1908, 2, 5, 10, 20pi	..	1.40
Ger. East Af. 1900, 3 and 5p*	.74	.28
Cuba 1907, 50c gray and black	.40	.15

Over 1000 other offers, lists of approval books, etc., etc., in our Nov. "Trade Journal & Bargain List". Issued monthly and free to buyers.

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Cat. No.		Cat. Price.	Our Price
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20	96c gray, CC	1.00	.60
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*20	2p gray	3.00	1.50
*22	6p olive	1.00	.60
*58	5sh green & ultra, CAC	2.50	1.90
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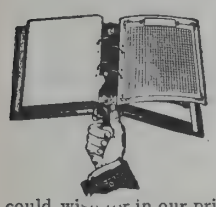

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* 3		2½d claret	.08	.03
* 18	1882	½p green	.06	.03
* 19		½ on ½p green	.85	.30
* 21	1884	1p rose	.25	.10
22a		2p blue	.15	.06
* 31	1896	½p green and red	.05	.03
* 32		30pa violet and green	.06	.04
* 33		1p rose and blue	.08	.06
* 34		2p " "	.18	.12
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* 1	1897	3p brown	.08	.05
* 2		5p green	.08	.05
* 3		10p carmine	.10	.07
* 7	1900	3p brown	.02	.02
* 8		5p green	.03	.02
* 9		10p red	.05	.04
* 10		20p blue	.09	.07
* 11		25p orange	.12	.09
		GERMAN SOUTHWEST AFRICA		
* 1	1897	3p brown	.15	.07
* 7	1899	3p "	.06	.04
* 9		10p red	.15	.10
* 15	1900	10p red	.08	.05
* 16		20p blue	.09	.08
* 17		25p orange	.12	.09
		GRENADA		
* 8	1875	½d purple	.50	.25
* 20	1883	½d green	.06	.03
* 22		2½d blue	.25	.10
* 23		4d slate	.25	.15
* 24		6d lilac	.50	.25
* 29		1 on 1sh orange	1.00	.40
* 30	1887	1d rose	.10	.04
* 45	1898	2½d blue	.15	.08
* 46	1899	½d lilac and green	.12	.06
101		Unpaid 1d black	.10	.05

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BARGAINS

Abyssinia 1907, Nos. 80, 81, 82, mint, set	$0.20
Brazil, Jubilee, " 186, 187, 188, set	.20
Gold Coast 1901, 1 on 6d, mint	.20
India, Patiala Officials, King, mint set except 3a, set of 8	1.50
Japan, Jubilee, Nos. 108, 109, mint set	.60
Montserrat 1903, ½, 1d, mint pair	.09
Papua, ½ to 1sh, mint set	.80
Siam 1906, complete set	.45

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LONDON'S NEW POST OFFICE.

The removal of the work of the General Post Office from its old quarters in St. Martin's-le-Grand to the new building in King Edward street was practically completed on Monday morning, when the sorters and postmen did their work in the new premises. At noon the Postmaster-General (Mr. Herbert Samuel) received a number of distinguished guests in the hall of the public office in King Edward street. He adverted to the circumstance that the late King laid the foundation-stone of the building five years ago, and said he had it in command from King George to say that he would have been glad to open the new Post Office in person had not the period of mourning precluded ceremonies of State. The new office Mr. Samuel described as the finest in the country and one of the finest in the world. He went on to refer to the enormous amount of work that would be done in it, and to the gigantic growth in the business of the General Post Office since the opening of the old building in 1892.

The New Building.

The public office is the largest of its kind in the country, measuring 152 ft. by 52 ft., with a counter running the whole length. The sorting offices demonstrate the remarkable extent to which time and labour-saving appliances will be used. The aim of the architect has been that the stream of letters shall flow from east to west throughout. Under the public office in the eastern portion of the building is the posting room, into which falls the correspondence posted in the King Edward street letter boxes, and letters posted in the Newgate street boxes are brought hither by a cable conveyor. All correspondence for London and abroad is taken to the ground floor in baskets by means of a band conveyor, while the correspondence for the provinces, which is dealt with at Mount Pleasant, is automatically conveyed to the departure platform at the west side of the sorting office. The whole of the ground floor of the sorting office block, measuring 300 ft. by 185 ft., is devoted to the requirements of the East Central district. Here the posted letters are arranged in order for stamping on the "facing" tables, on which running bands are placed. At the end of the table is fixed the electric stamping machine, by which means the stamps on 700 or 800 letters can be obliterated in a minute. Subsequently the work passes into two main divisions. In one of them the correspondence for the 12 daily deliveries in the East Central district is prepared, and in the other letters for all other parts of London are dealt with, direct despatches being made to every chief district and sub-district delivery office in London, of which there are 108, for every delivery throughout the day. The first floor is entirely devoted to the treatment of correspondence for the Colonies and abroad. Upon this work about 900 officers of all grades are employed, about four million articles being despatched weekly. In the foreign section there are more than one thousand post-offices for which direct bags are made up. The second floor contains two large rooms for storing the accumulation of foreign mail bags awaiting despatch and for paying the wages of the Sorting Office staff. Kitchen and refreshment room accommodation is provided on the third floor, while two miniature rifle ranges are to be installed on the flat roof.

In removing the earth and *débris* for the lower floors of the new building a considerable portion of the old London wall was laid bare. It was necessary to demolish the greater part of this, but a bastion at the western angle has been preserved. A concrete enclosing wall and roof have been constructed, and the bastion may be inspected by the public.—*London Times.*

J. W. SCOTT
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36 John St., NEW YORK CITY
RHODESIA
1910 King and Queen, Mint.

½ penny green	$0.02
1 " rose-carmine	.03
2 pence grey	.05
2½ " ultramarine	.06
3 " yellow and mauve	.08
4 " orange and indigo	.10
5 " olive green and brown	.13
6 " mauve and brown	.15
8 " violet and grey	.20
10 " mauve and rose-red	.26
1 shilling emerald and indigo	.30
2 " ultramarine and black	.60
2sh 6d pink and black	.75
3sh violet and green	.90

All Unused, Postage 2c Extra.
For large list see "Metropolitan Philatelist."
The J. W. Scott Co., Ltd., 36 John St., New York.

THE TRENTON PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

By Alvah G. Clark.

The Trenton Philatelic Society is fast outgrowing the swaddling clothes of infancy and becoming quite a good sized boy, so to speak. This child of Philately is near three years old and is growing rapidly.

At the annual meeting of the society held Oct. 8th the officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Edmund S. Jamieson; Vice President, Theodore G. Kitchin; Secretary, C. H. Gibbs; Financial Secretary, William B. Housel; Treasurer, Alvah G. Clark; Librarian, R. E. Johnson; Sales Manager, Edmund A. Andrews.

The 50th meeting of the society was held Nov. 26th at the office of the Vice President, Theodore G. Kitchin. Secretary Gibbs exhibited part of his general collection and Sales Manager Andrews his collection of U. S. and Colonies and Netherlands and Colonies. Mr. Taylor had some very rare Hawaiians, Newfoundlands and others on view. At the end of the session the members adjourned to Hancock's dining parlors where they celebrated the 50th meeting.

The Printing Committee has the new stationery and application blanks ready for distribution and the Sales Manager showed the new circuit books. The society furnishes free to all its members, either or both of its two kinds of stationery. One is of letter size with a panel at the top, in this panel and to the left is the seal of the society and "Member of Trenton Philatelic Society" fills in the remaining space. This is printed in black on white paper and is very pleasing in effect. Then there is the note size paper with just a small seal printed in a rich seal brown at the top centre of the paper and on the back flap of the envelopes.

The sales books are the cream of the printers' art and have a very fine arrangement. In fact an old well known collector who is acquainted with the books of all societies and a member of many societies, pronounced them "the finest sales books of any society."

One of the new and up-to-date features of this society is that you do not have to belong to the society to receive these books. All we ask is that you furnish two good commercial references, and your name will be placed on the circuit to receive the books. You do, however, have to be a member in order to place books in the circuits. Anyone wishing to receive these books and willing to comply with the above requirements, can make their application to the sales manager, Edmund A. Andrews, 216 Perry St., Trenton, N. J.

For application blanks, or information concerning membership fees, dues and advantages of this, the first and only society in the state of New Jersey, may address the writer at 285 Spring St., Trenton, N. J.

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Xmas Special
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1894	1, 2, 5, 8, 10, 16, 1k, 2k, 5k and 10 krans, set of 10 stamps	$0.40
1898	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 12, 16, 1k, 2k, 3k, 4k, 5k and 10 krans, set of 15 stamps	.60
1900	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 12, 16, 1k, 2k, 3k, 4k, 5k and 10 krans, set of 15 stamps	.60
1902	Provisoire, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 12, 16, 1k, 2k, 3k, 4k, 5k and 10k, set of 15 stamps	1.10
1902	Teheran issue, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 12, 1k, 2k, 5k and 10 krans, set of 10 stamps	.40
1903	1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 12, 1k, 2k, 5k and 10 krans, set of 10 stamps	.25
1903	10t, 20t, 25t, 50t and 100 tomans, set of 5 stamps, cat. $15.50	3.75
1904	20 and 30 krans, cat. 70c	.25
1904	Surcharged 1 on 1, 2 on 3, 3 on 5, 6 on 8, 12 on 12, 9 on 1, set of 6 stamps	.30
1906	1, 2, 3, 6, 10 and 13 chahi	.12
1903	Official, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 12, 1k, 2k, 5k and 10k, set of 10 stamps, surch. Service	.40
1906	20 and 30 krans, surch. Service	.35

ARARAT STAMP CO., [30
45 Beaver St., NEW YORK.

RHODESIA 1896
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NEWS GLEANINGS.

—Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Doeblin are favoring their old-time philatelic friends with cards announcing the marriage of their daughter, Miss Martha Doeblin to Mr. George J. Morgen, on Nov. 24, 1910.

—D. T. Eaton calls our attention to the fact that a mistake occurred in a recent advertisement of No. 29 Cyprus. The price was given at 35c instead of 85c. Mr. Eaton writes that he has been compelled to return money on all remittances.

—Clippings acknowledged with thanks from Hugo Kuenstler (4), Albert H. Harris, Cleveland Bundlie, Russell L. Stultz (17) and Harry Caden.

SPRINGFIELD IN 1912.

At the Detroit convention last year Mr. Stone made the announcement that Springfield desired the convention in 1912. To bring this fact before the members at large, the Springfield Club has prepared a sticker to be used on correspondence, specimens of which have been sent us. They are printed on some five different colored papers and by courtesy of J. D. Bartlett we are able to illustrate the design.

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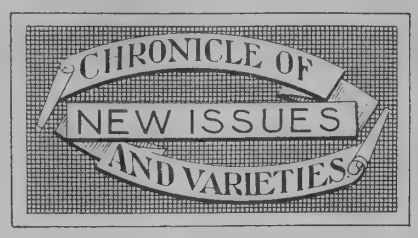

Edited by HENRY A. KIDDER.

Any information regarding new issues will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Address HENRY A. KIDDER, 17 Addison St., Arlington, Mass. Letters calling for a reply should contain a self-addressed, stamped envelope. We cannot give applicants the addresses of our correspondents.

UNITED STATES.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 1c and 2c stamps of the current issue, with the new watermark, and in an imperforate condition. The new watermarks are issued on an entirely different plan from the old one. Counting across the full sheet of 400 stamps there are only 18 letters in the top row, 19 letters in the second, 18 in the third, and so on, alternating down the whole sheet. A similar plan has been followed in spacing the rows vertically, and consequently there are very few stamps in the sheet that have the watermark placed normally. In some stamps it only appears at the extreme edges of the paper, though we were unable to find that any stamp was entirely without trace of the watermark. It might well be called a multiple watermark.

We are also indebted to Frank B. Eldredge for specimens of the new watermarks on the 1c and 2c values.

Frank B. Eldredge has shown us several new things in permits, including Boston, No. 285, changed for a 5c to 6c, by overprinting a large "6" by a hand stamp all in black; Chicago, No. 625, changed from 2c to 1c, both the original and the overprint, 1c, being in red; Boston, No. 177, changed from 3c to 4c, the original being in black and the overprint in red; St. Louis, 11c, covered by a regular 10c stamp.

Frank B. Eldredge reports having seen the following new precancels: Scott's No. 323, precancelled Racine, Wis., reading down, type of first issue, known as No. 1.

Scott's No. 323, precancelled Brockton, Mass., Campbello, Sta. C. No normal and normal double, type 1.

Scott's No. 323, precancelled Lexington, Ky., reading up, known as type 6.

Scott's No. 323 precancelled Fort Wayne, Ind., normal, known as type 2.

BECHUANALAND.—In regard to the 6d noted in No. 1033, the following letter from the Resident Commissioner's office, Mafeking, will be of interest. We copy it from the *Stamp Collector:*

"The Transvaal 6d stamps overprinted 'Bechuanaland Proctectorate' were obtained for revenue purposes, but as they are printed 'postage and revenue' and there is no Government Notice in force stating what stamps are available for postal purposes, they can be legally used to prepay postage in the Protectorate. The issue consisted of 1500 stamps, and they were first sold in December, 1908."

BOSNIA.—According to the *West End Philatelist* a most interesting discovery has been made in the pictorial stamps of Bosnia, which proves the existence of a number of varieties hitherto unknown. The new variety consists in the perforation which, in each case, gauges 10½ on one side of the stamp, thus proving that the old 10½ machine, which was used for the previous issue, must have been temporarily put into service. The varieties found are as follows:

UNUSED, five pairs.

1h perf. 10½ × 9½
2h " 12½ × 10½ × 9½
3h " 9½ × 10½ × 12½
5h " 9½ × 10½ × 12½
6h " 10½ × 12½ × 9½

USED.

1h perf. 12½ × 10½ × 9½
1h " 10½ × 9½
2h " 10½ × 12½
3h " 10½ × 12½
3h " 9½ × 10½ × 12½
6h " 10½ × 12½
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BRAZIL.—*Gibbons Weekly* warns collectors of the existence of a very dangerous forgery of the 180 (reis), sloping figures issue. It is described to us as printed from an engraved plate or die, and as having a specious appearance of being an impression from a somewhat worn plate; the details, however, will not stand careful comparison with those of the original. This is believed to be a comparatively recent issue.

The *Diario Popular* announced under date of Oct. 17, that two new stamps were to appear Nov. 15, the values being 600r and 10,000r.

The 200r Pan-American stamp is reported to have been placed in use again.

20h perf. 12½ × 10½
20h " 12½ × 10½ × 9½
25h " 10½ × 12½ × 9½
30h " 12½ × 9½ × 10½
35h " 12½ × 10½
35h " 9½ × 10½ × 12½
40h " 10½ × 9½ × 12½
45h " 12½ × 10½
45h " 10½ × 12½ × 9½

All the above were genuinely postally used and not cancelled to order, being found among a parcel of many thousand stamps from the correspondence of a large bank.

COLOMBIA.—As noted some time since the current 10c registration stamp of the Centenary issue showed an execution scene. This stamp has been withdrawn from use, following on representations made by the Spanish Minister at Bogota, who protested against the inscription, "FUSILADOS . . . POR ORDEM DEL GOBIERNO ESPANOL." The history of the incident is as follows: Morillo and his Spaniards besieged Cartagena by land and sea. After an heroic resistance for four months, the defenders found themselves at the end of their resources and endeavoured to escape by sea. Scarcely four hundred succeeded. Morillo entered the town depleted of two-thirds of its inhabitants. He re-established the Inquisition, and instituted a military tribunal to judge the "brigands" who had taken refuge in the surrounding country. They were enticed into the town under promise of a general amnesty, and were shot in a body on February 24, 1816. A very discreditable proceeding, which the Spanish authorities were naturally anxious to treat as "bygone."

CRETE.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 10, 20 and 50 lepta and 1d postage due stamp, surcharged "Ellas" in the square Gothic letters.

GIBRALTAR.—*Morroco Agencies.*—The *West. End Philatelist* reports having seen the 20c of 1898, London print, with double surcharge.

INDIA.—*Holkar.—Gibbons Weekly* reports having seen the ½a stamp of 1904, with the overprint "SERVICE" in a fresh variety of type. It is evidently from a different fount of *sans-serif* letters, which are thinner and most of them narrower than before, and the word thus appears to be more widely spaced; the "S" and "C" are more open; the "E" is considerably narrower; and the "R" is of quite different shape, having a straight, sloping tail, instead of a curved one.

ITALY.—The *Gazette Ufficiale* announces the impending issue of a 10 lire stam, to be printed in green and red. This value will also be overprinted for each of the offices in the Levant.

LEEWARD ISLANDS.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us several new things from the Islands, including the 3d and 5sh in the new colors. The 1sh is not in the new colors, but all the others are.

Adhesives.

¼d brown.
6d violet.
1sh green and re carmine.
1sh green and carmine.

PANAMA.—*Gibbons Weekly* reports that at the end of last August the 2½c "Too Late" stamp was exhausted, and the ordinary 2c was handstamped in black with the word "Retardo," and made to do duty temporarily. The surcharge was in black.

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17 " 2sh 6p .. " 3.00 " 1.60
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1890	*¼c green, No. 75	.01
	10c brown, No. 78	.02
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	*¼c on 12c blue, black surcharge, No. 83	.03
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1891	1c brown, No. 89	.02
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	10c carmine rose, No. 98	.01
	12c deep blue, No. 99	.02
	16c gray, No. 100	.04
1896-98	3c orange, No. 109	.02
	10c carmine rose, No. 111	.01
	12c deep blue, No. 112	.02
1899	½c yellow brown, No. 122, used or unused	.01
	1c green, No. 123	.01
	2c slate blue, No. 124	.01
	10c dark green, No. 126	.02
	20c claret, No. 129	.03
	30c rose, No. 131	.07
	1p blue and black, No. 133	.06
1901	3c orange, No. 137	.02
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	15c greenish blue, No. 139	.02
	30c vermilion, No. 140	.03
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COMMUNICATION.

(We do not hold ourselves responsible for the views expressed by our readers. Our columns are always open for communications of general interest.—Ed.)

NEWARK, N. J., Nov. 30, 1910.

Editor MEKEEL'S:

Sir: Some time ago I wrote you in reference to the "*Ser..et*" errors, Jamaica Arms type. I have heard it said that this error exists on the following stamps, viz.:

Single CA, ½d, 1d, 2½d, 5d.

Multiple CA, ½d, 1d, 2½d, 5d.

In my collection I have the following: Single CA, 1d, 2½d, 5d; multiple CA, ½d, 5d. Have any of your readers ever seen the ½d single, and the 1d and 2½d multiple?

BENEDICT PRIETH.

JAMAICA, AMONG THE LLANDOVERIES.

(Continued from page 415.)

A fresh plate, in two parts, was struck for this issue, and it will be noticed that the *red* line, which in the 1900 issue divided the picture from the frame, and really formed two thin white divisions, is wanting in the 1901 issue, which appears with but one white line or division. According to Messrs. De La Rue's schedule there were six printings of this stamp, extending over a period of two and a half years, thus:

July 4, 1901	29,818
Oct. 11 "	48,970
March 26, 1902	48,286
Dec. 18 "	18,000
April 21, 1903	39,350
Nov. 27 "	77,500

Making a total of 261,924 stamps. My readers need not, however, depreciate this or the former issue because of the large totals, as more than 50 per cent. of each were used on receipts, and at least 10 per cent. of the balance were destroyed in the fire of January 14, 1907.

Much more care was apparently taken in putting the paper into the press, for among 26,213 *black and carmine* I found only 80 with inverted watermarks, which I have listed as 41 V, the variation being similar to 40 V, and 43 reversed, which I call 41 A, similar to 40 B; while I could discover only 10 inverted-reversed, which I mark, 41 K, similar to 40 E. The slip-block 40 D, does not appear at all among the *black and carmine*, the nearest approach to it which I have come across being copies with a *half* of the letters falling on the under stamp. (Inverted, reversed and misplaced watermarks are not, as a rule, considered of much importance by philatelists; and when the watermark is sideways, as in these stamps, it seems evident that its position is equally correct, so far as the design of the stamp is concerned, whichever way it appears. We may gather, however, that the normal variety here has the Crown towards the left of the stamp, and when it is in the contrary position it may be said to be inverted. The letters "CC" should, no doubt, read the right way when the stamp is looked at from the face; when they are to be seen in that position on the back the stamps may be said to be printed on the wrong side of the paper, but the surface of the paper is, presumably, exactly the same on both sides.—ED.) Although the watermark varieties of 1901 issue are not as numerous as those of its predecessor, yet the stamp shows some curious and interesting varieties, due to defective "register" of the two impressions, none of which is it possible to find among the *red* Llandoveries.

Some of these show a more or less wide white space at top or bottom of the central picture; others a space at right or left side, and others again show a space at top or bottom and at one side also; the opposite side of the picture in each case, of course, overlapping the *carmine* frame to a greater or less extent. In a block of sixteen which I possess the defective centring is very noticeable in the last row of stamps, but grows less and less so in each upper row, until when the top row is reached the stamps are all well centred.

These white spaces are found in different dimensions, but I have found several varieties in which they are very pronounced. (We fear that to the great majority of philatelists these varieties would not prove of much interest; they are, as a matter of fact simply defective, badly centred impressions.—ED.) There are also shade varieties in both issues; besides the *black* centre and *carmine* frame, we have in the 1901 issue: (*a*) a distinct *grey* centre; (*b*) a *black* centre with a decided *ruby* frame; in the 1900 issue: (*a*) *dull carmine* (I use the word "dull," as it most aptly describes the marked difference between this shade and the recognized *carmine*); (*b*) a *very deep carmine*.

Years ago I heard of a "LLANDOVERY FALK" variety, with "K" for the "LS," and in the *Philatelic Tribune* of November, 1908, I noticed fifteen copies put up for auction sale and tenders invited, but I have never been able to meet with a copy; my tender was sent too late. Whether this variety is to be found among the *carmine* or the *black and carmine stamps*, or both, the advertisement did not say. I have also heard that there is to be found a hair-line across the surface of certain *red* Llandoveries, but I have not seen a specimen. Gibbons also catalogues a *blued* variety among the *black and carmine*, but the duplicates I have seen on sheets I have always rejected. I have however, met with a distinct *blued* 1901 in the collection of a friend.

I trust my readers have enjoyed our ramble among the Llandoveries, and henceforth will *study* Jamaica, for this is but the lifting of the veil. There is much more to be learnt about her.—*Gibbons Weekly.*

UGANDA COWRIES.

BY MARGERY KING.

The unit of value on the typewritten Uganda issues is "cowries", *Cypræa Moneta*, formerly extensively used in the interior of Africa as a species of money, and often referred to by the earlier African explorers and travellers. Their use has long since been displaced by the introduction of beads, brass and copper wire, which were carried into the interior by the Arab slave and ivory traders from Zanzibar. Probably the last place they remained current was on the head waters of the Niger river.

At the date the stamps were issued it was merely a monetary term, as the shells had not been used in Uganda for probably 40 years; they being obsolete in 1862, as Capt. Speke, the first white man who ever visited the country, in his book "Discovery of the Sources of the Nile" when approaching Uganda, says: "I then separated 10 loads of beads and copper wire for my expenses in Uganda . . . . and gave him and his companions beads to last as money for six months."

The native or Ki-ganda name for cowries is "Masimbi", literally, shells.

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APPLICATIONS PENDING.

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Piens, C., Kowloon, Hong Kong, Asia; age legal; Commission Merchant. Reference: W. C. Phillips & Co., Glastonbury, Conn. Proposed by W. C. Phillips, No. 2979.

Franke, Herman, P. O. Box 115, Vista Grande, Calif.; age 43; Baker. Reference: G. J. O. Folte, 526 California St., San Francisco. Proposed by H. W. Doscher, No. 395.

Scott, J. E., 511 Putnam Av., Detroit, Mich.; age 42; Bookkeeper. Reference: C. F. Heyerman, No. 3101. Proposed by Howard C. Beck, No. 1568.

Thomas, Rudolph, P. O. Box 236, Chicago, Ill.; age 41; Waiter. Reference: Hugh M. Clark, Chicago. Proposed by Gustav A. Grafe, No. 2667.

Patch, Charles, Jr., 702 The Pasadena, Detroit, Mich.; age 13; Student. Guaranteed by C. O. Patch (Father), V. P. Security Trust Co. Proposed by Chas. A. Coolidge, No. 64.

Walker, H. Layton, 649 Main St., Buffalo, N. Y.; age 42; Teacher of Dancing. Reference: Market Bank, Main and Chippewa Sts., Buffalo. Proposed by F. B. Griffith, Jr., No. 1836.

APPLICATION FOR REINSTATEMENT.

2381. Luther, O. P., 300 Victor Bldg., Kansas City, Mo.; age 21; Salesman, with Baker-Vauter Co. Reference: Irving-Pitt Mfg. Co. Proposed by Carl S. Davis, No. 2711.

NEW STOCKHOLDER.

3901. Hart, W. O., New Orleans, La.

RESIGNATION RECEIVED.

3023. Hollinger, Albert H., Detroit, Mich.

RESIGNATION ACCEPTED.

1330. Betz, Herman, Jamaica, N. Y.

DEATH REPORTED.

3511. Hunt, David, Jr., Detroit, Mich. Killed Nov. 26, 1910.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

2378. Hill, Frank E., from Chicago, Ill., to care Browning, King & Co., Broadway and 32nd St., New York, N. Y.

2215. Cook, Frederick S., from Brighton, Mass., to 35 Columbia St., Brookline, Mass.

3829. Ramsay, Robt. E., from Norfolk, Va., to Box 347, Macon, Ga.

553. Goerner, W. F., from 124 Wesleyan Av. to 218 Medway St., Providence, R. I.

1842. Willy, Fred, should read 356 Como Ave., St. Paul, Minn.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY.

Total membership Nov. 26, 1910,		1745
New stockholder admitted Dec. 3,		1
		1746
Resignation accepted Dec. 3,	1	
Death reported,	1	
	—	2
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W. H. BARNUM, Sec.

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The Governing Board of the Educational Committee will be pleased to receive from readers of this publication clippings of *general* philatelic interest from the daily press or magazines. Many acceptable and really good articles are published but once and then forgotten. These can be used in many sections by metropolitan and country newspapers, alike. Please write the date and name of publication upon each clipping and send to the Educational Committee, P. O. Box 20, Chicago, Ill.

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Regular meetings 2d Wednesday, Room 210, Corcoran Bldg., 533 15th St., N. W.

The 59th regular meeting was held Nov. 9. Sixteen members and one visitor were present. John W. Grim applied for membership. The following names were placed in nomination for officers for the ensuing year: Pres., W. A. Johnson; Vice Pres., F. B. Wheaton; Sec., J. F. Engle; Treas., R. Wysong and T. R. Hungerford; Supt. Auctions, Wm. Sahm; Supt. Exchange, T. R. Hungerford and M. Whitney, Jr.; Librarian, C. R. Morris, A. N. Caudell and T. O. Mainwaring; Governing Board (four to be elected), R. Daskam, Geo. L. Toppan, Maj. P. C. Stevens, Prof. M. Whitney, M. G. Metz, F. A. Loeffler, A. N. Caudell. The evening was pleasantly spent in the exchange of stamps. At the next meeting, December 13, the annual election of officers will be held and membership dues for 1911 will be payable. All officers are requested to present written reports. Let us have a large attendance at this meeting.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 1, 1910.

In the absence of both President and Vice President, Mr. Levy acted as presiding officer and called the meeting to order at 9 P. M. with 13 members present. Applications for membership: Wm. B. Sprague, 54 William St.; Daniel H. Greenberg, 243 East 18th St.; Samuel Greenberg, 132 Essex St. New member: Dr. Kaidanz, 243 East 18th St. An invitation from the St. Louis Stamp Collectors' Society to attend a stereopticon lecture at their club rooms was received with thanks. The reading of a chapter entitled "The Physiology of Stamp Experts", from the book "Behind the Scenes of Philately", which was most ably rendered by H. M. Lewy, and contained an invaluable fund of information, was very heartily appreciated. The author has promised to treat us to another chapter in the very near future. Scott's Catalogue for 1911 was donated to the library by the secretary. The society extended a vote of sincere thanks for the donations.

At the annual meeting to be held on December 15th, the following matters, which are of vital importance, will be acted upon: The election and installation of officers for the coming year; the annual financial statement and report of the retiring officers for the year 1910; and last but by no means least, the competitive exhibition of Hawaiian Islands. The manager of the Stamp Bourse, having reported that about 200 books have been sold and that about 15,000 stamps are now in circulation, states that he is ready at all times to explain the workings of this most admirable feature, and is desirous of receiving inquiries regarding same.

HENRY J. DICKE, Sec.

DEATH OF DAVID M. HUNT, JR.

We are informed of the death of David M. Hunt, Jr., A. P. S. 3511, formerly manager of the Warner & Swasey Co. of Cleveland, O. Mr. Hunt was instantly killed at Yale, Mich., Saturday, Nov. 26, when an automobile in which he was riding was overturned.

He was a member of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club of Cleveland, joining the society in January, 1909. He was a native of Boston and had amassed a very fine collection which was stolen in about 1896. During the past two years Mr. Hunt had gotten together another fine collection, specializing in United States and British North America.

Mr. Hunt was educated at Harvard, where he won distinction as an athlete. He won his "H" on the varsity football team and was a catcher on the college baseball nine. He was thirty-six years of age.

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OUR LONDON LETTER.

By ALBERT H. HARRIS.

LONDON, Nov. 23, 1910.

Philately for the Multitude.—If the popularity of philately in the British Isles be in any degree reflected by the amount of attention it receives from our "lay" press, we need have no fear for its immediate future. Occasional paragraphs we have always had—and strange indeed have been some of them!—but of late they have been more frequent, and more informative, and they have sometimes led to correspondence in which philatelists have taken part. The London *Evening News* not long ago printed a column article on the firm of printers who have secured the contract for printing the new Georgian stamps—Messrs. Harrisons. The *Daily Graphic* frequently manages, with the help of dealers to illustrate new issues before they find their way into the philatelic press. The *Daily Mail* has been voicing the opinions of some of its readers as to what should be done with the abandoned 2d stamp (with-held owing to the death of King Edward) and as to whether the new stamps should depart from tradition, and bear the name of the country and the figures of value. *The Daily Telegraph* printed lengthy daily reports from Berne during the late Philatelic Exhibition there, and devoted a special article to the Earl of Crewe's circular to the British Colonies. But the most important of all is the decision—some weeks ago now—of the latter journal to print a column of stamp news once a week, and this is now appearing every Thursday in conjunction with advertisements from the stamp trade. That such a staid and respectable journal as the *Daily Telegraph* should consider it profitable to devote so much attention to our hobby augurs well for its progress, and these articles cannot be without their effect on its half-million readers.

Another U. S. A. Commemorative.—This time it is United South Africa represented by the familiar initials, and the liability of the confusion of our United Dominions with the country that produces the WEEKLY has led our Postmaster-General to point out that the initials should be avoided. Mention of the State wherein the town is situated is quite sufficient for St. Martins-le-Grand.

As to the stamp—well, it is a commemorative in size and style, and it has already been fully described. I may record, however, the advertisement philately had out of it. On the day the First South African Parliament was opened in state by the Duke of Connaught, the English press described and illustrated this stamp (from die proofs specially circulated by the High Commissioner) and announced that anybody in want of a nice, handy little souvenir could have one by sending 2½d together with a stamped addressed envelope, to the Offices of the Commissioner, 72 Victoria Street, London.

Hot cakes were "not in it." The office was bombarded by post and in person and, for a fortnight, the staff had to work overtime to cope with the demand. Soon it was seen that the first parcel of 42,000 would not exhaust it, neither did a second, of 12,000, and when I called on the 21st inst. on behalf of MEKEEL'S, I was informed that in all, 72,000 had then been disposed of.

Franking.—Since the abolition of Official stamps in this country, our Government departments have availed themselves of a system of franking which is doubtless familiar to many in the States. The High Commissioner for the Union of South Africa shares this privilege, and makes use of a handstamp consisting of two concentric circles containing between them the words "HIGH COMMISSIONER. UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA", the inner circle containing the new Arms of the Union.

Surplus Cash.—Speaking of franking reminds me that certain people in the States are still fond of affixing 5 cents to letters addressed to this country, and one of my recent correspondents was in such a hurry that he affixed three 2c stamps where one would have satisfied the Post Office. If my correspondents will kindly place the excess amount *inside* the letter in future, I shall not grumble.

The I. P. U. Smoker.—The International Philatelic Union held their annual smoker last week at the "Horse-Shoe" Restaurant, Tottenham Court Road, and the excellent programme provided attracted a record attendance. No little credit is due to the well-known dealer, Mr. W. E. Lincoln, who

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The Overflow of the Strand.—The Strand has always deserved its title of "Philatelic Avenue," but the visitor to London on philately bent must look farther afield before he can exhaust the philatelic possibilities of the metropolis. In Fleet Street one finds Messrs. Bridger & Kay, Harmer Rooke, H. F. Johnson, also the *Stamp Lover* office and the meeting room of the Junior Philatelic Society. Chancery Lane, at the junction of Fleet Street with the Strand, harbours Messrs. C. Nissen & Co., Plumridge & Co., The Stamp Trade Protection Association, and the offices of the *British Philatelist* and *Stamp Collectors Fortnightly,* while the premises of Messrs. P. L. Pemberton in Holborn, facing the end of Chancery Lane, must be included on every philatelists' "line of route."

Postal Reforms.—England is to have halfpenny postcards at last. At present it costs ¾d to buy a single ½d card although a reduction is made for quantity, but the new contracts for producing postal stationery are so advantageous, states the Postmaster-General, that next year we are to have stationery at its face value. This reform comes very late in the day, but will be none the less welcome, and it should lead to a greatly increased use of stamped stationery. At the same time, stamp booklets are to be sold at the face value of the stamps they contain, and here I think we score over foreign countries, some at least of which make a charge for binding. They do in the States, don't they?

Another General Election is upon us, and the Post-office has just distributed the writs with a promptitude that it would be difficult to equal. Early on the day of prorogation the provincial writs were placed in charge of the Post-office, enclosed in envelopes of a special type, containing instructions to the Postmasters in the towns concerned. Here they waited a sign from the Crown office, which was given immediately on receipt of the Royal Proclamation. They reached every part of the United Kingdom the next day, and the postmaster delivered the writ in person to the returning officer. So the fight has begun in earnest.

IN AUSTRALIA.

The Penny Postage Bill, lately introduced in the Federal Parliament by the Postmaster-General, which provides for penny postage throughout the Commonwealth and to the United Kingdom, beginning next year, has passed both Houses.

Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

ITEMS FROM THE ENGLISH PRESS.

By CHAS. E. JENNEY.

The *Stamp Collector's Fortnightly* of Nov. 12, in its biographies of "Philatelists of To-day" has Mr. L. Harald Kjellstedt for its subject. The versatility of Mr. Kjellstedt is well known to American collectors. Born in Sweden, located in Scranton, Pa., and doing business in Oakland, Cal., he is somewhat of a cosmopolitan.

An interesting article in the same number is "Postal Arrangements during the Siege of Paris," relating particularly to the balloon post. I notice in one of our December auction sales, a copy of a balloon postcard used in 1870. The information in this article would well compliment the item in anyone's collection.

The editor of *Gibbon's Stamp Weekly* and Henry J. Crocker, have become engaged in a controversy over certain Hawaiian stamps, or reprints, which is verging toward the acrimonious, on one side at least. We have not followed either side carefully and are not posted enough on Hawaiias to form an opinion as to which is right; but both gentlemen seem equally positive in their views and both equally disinclined to give way an iota. In the November 19th issue, Major Evans disputes each and every claim made by Crocker to establish the so-called reprints as a legitimate issue. An amusing feature is that whereas in the May 28th number, the Major had his last word and politely suggested that Mr. Crocker say no more about it, now, at the end of his later remarks appears the parenthetic (to be continued)—evidently to the bitter end.

The *Philatelic Journal* of Great Britain has an article on the Niger Coast Protectorate in its issue of November 20th, more interesting, we should judge, to English than to American collectors.

Several of the English publications call attention to the error in the 6 cent new issue of Newfoundland in which the z of Colonization is reversed. One might look for just such child's work (a piece of sheer ignorance) in a set of stamps of such crude engraving.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desi to give full credit for services rendered.

—Clippings ack owledged with thanks from Maitland Milliken and Hugo Kuenstler (4).

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" " 5 "	3.60	28.80
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" " 5 "	5.76	..
" 1910, 10, 15, 25 rupees (per set)	6.00	..
Siam 1900, 8 atts	.14	1.00
" " 1, 2, 3 atts, assorted.....	.12	.84
" 1906, 1 and 2 atts	.14	.96
" " 3 atts.....	.24	..
" " 4 "	.12	.96
" " 8 "	.16	1.20
" 1909, 2s on 1 atts	.14	.96
" " 3s " 3 "	.18	1.44
" " 6s " 4 "	.18	1.32
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—A prospectus announces "California Night's Entertainment", a book of poems by Chas. E. Jenney, the well known philatelist and philatelic writer of Fresno, Cal. His "Scenes of My Childhood", published in 1900, is a book of verse highly commended by the daily press, as well as by writers of national reputation.

—A. C. Roessler sends us an advertisement from the Xmas *Cosmopolitan* in which a Georgia business firm advertises the Chinese coronation set at 50c per set or twelve sets for $5.00. A good profit, certainly. The *Cosmopolitan* also has a page filler dealing with the new King George set for Great Britain.

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" " 109, 2c violet & carmine, " ... .10
" 1887, 1, 2, 5 and 10c, used..... .10
" 1890, 1, 2, 5, 10, 20 and 50c, used.... .30
" 1897, 1, 2, 5, 10 and 20c, " .... .10
" 1899, 1, 2, 5, 5, 10 and 20c, " .... .15
" 1901, 1, 2, 5, 10 and 20c, " .... .10
" 1909, Centenary, 1, 2, 5, 10, " .... .17
" 1909, " mint, 1, 2, 5, 10, 20c.. .30
Cuba 1910, Special Delivery 10c, used ..... .12
" 1903, " 10c, " ..... .10
Chile 1910, Jubilee, 2c carmine, 5c blue, both .05
" " " 20c vermilion & black, used .10
" " Juan Fernandez, 5 on 12c lake, " .04
Uruguay 1902 Dues, 1 2, 4, 10c, " .20
Peru 1909 " 1 and 5c red brown, " .10
Nicaragua 1910, 10c on 15c black..... .08
Salvador 1907, watermarked, 1, 2, 3, 5c..... .08
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1032 6c, " " .75 ..... .35
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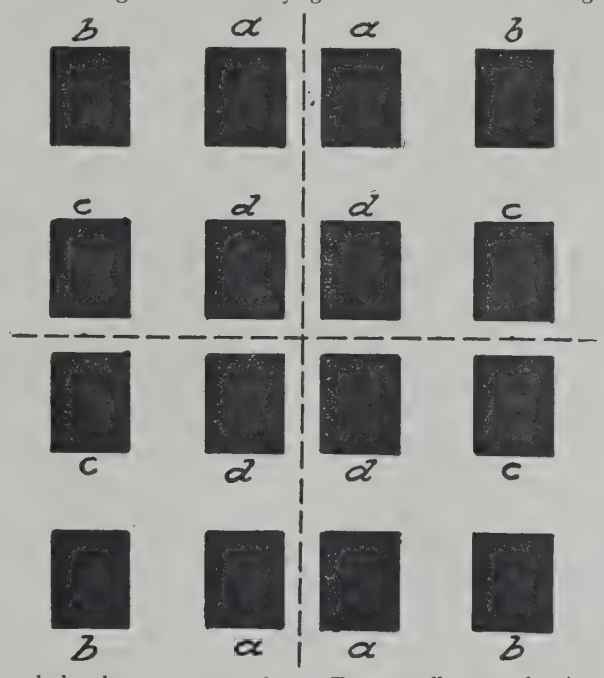
SHEET DIAGRAMS.

By L. Harald Kjellstedt.

The construction of what may be called *sheet diagrams* of U. S. current or earlier issues is nothing new, but I take for granted that many specialists have overlooked this feature and have thereby missed a very interesting hunt for suitable specimens. As is well known, the postage stamps of the United States are printed in sheets of 400 stamps divided by a vertical and a horizontal cutting line into four panels of 100 stamps each. As the large sheets are cut into panels and perforated and delivered to the postmasters as sheets of 100 stamps each, we are unable to obtain the full size sheets of 400 stamps. But even if this was possible, the sizes of our albums would prevent us from making a satisfactory display of a whole sheet or even of a panel. The next best thing is to make up a diagram which will indicate the arrangement of a sheet. The accompanying illustration shows a method of displaying such a diagram on the album page. The dotted lines indicate the guide lines or cutting lines on a full sheet. Our diagram is constructed by the collecting of the corner stamps of four differently located panels. The stamps marked *a* must show top or bottom margins and vertical guide lines along the right or left edge according to position. The stamps marked *b* show margin outside of the perforations at top or bottom and along the left or right hand sides. Stamps marked *c* show horizontal guide lines at top or bottom and margins outside the perforations at right or left. Every stamp marked *d* must have guide lines at top or bottom and along the right or left sides. Where wide spacing is shown, such spacing naturally indicates 8 intervening rows of stamps. Such a diagram could not be made up from stamps taken from one sheet because, of two stamps placed on each side of a guide line, only one could show the guide line, and a straight line edge without guide line could easily be supplied by clipping the perforations. Thus it will be understood that every stamp on our diagram which is placed adjoining a guide line must show that guide line.



For a collector who is not chummy with the stamp clerk at his local post office, it takes quite a time to collect the 16 specimens necessary for a diagram of this kind. It took a friend of mine, who sells the current 1c and 2c stamps in his drug store, nearly 10 weeks to find the stamps necessary for a diagram of a sheet of 2c stamps. When it comes to used stamps, or higher values, the difficulties will naturally increase.

These sheet diagrams make a very nice appearance on the album page, and the hunt for suitable specimens is sufficiently interesting to gladden the heart and whet the appetite of any ordinary collector.

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* 215	1888, 4c carmine	.18	.10
* 217	30c orange brown	.85	.50
* 228	1890, 30c black	.75	.40
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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

A Good Move—The WEEKLY has decided that it is remiss in its duty in not providing the beginners in philately, who are boys and girls usually, with reading matter designed especially for their interest and instruction. This conviction has come slowly; it is the result of closely observing conditions for some years past, and the recognition that will now be extended the "boy collector" is based on a proposition that in practice may redound to advantage on all sides. Back of it all, the assurance stands that such a course will aid philately in its broadest sense. To a great extent, the boy collectors take care of themselves and hew out their own philatelic destinies; in fact, any "coddling process" that strikes a false note in the sensitive ear of the boy is detected and he is apt to repudiate the whole measure. A stamp paper devoted solely to beginners does not receive support in any commensurate way for reasons that become apparent under analysis. The other extreme is represented by the paper that avoids as a matter of policy the insertion of pabulum for the primary class. While the WEEKLY is neither in the primer nor the algebra class, yet it has been lacking in attention to the beginner; and this delinquency now is to be remedied.

The Plan—It is our intention to give the beginner a special service and assign to him each week, a reasonable allotment of space. The boys' department will be wholly dedicated to the beginner who will be stimulated to encompass the fuller development of philately by the encouraging preachments and precepts that will have their place in the section. Thus, in one sense, the beginner will have a paper of his own in the larger setting of the WEEKLY; at the same time, as heretofore, he will have for his consideration the other columns of the paper and while they may be cast in too technical a mould for his ready understanding of the subjects of which they treat, yet he will not despair of soon being enabled to comprehend the deeper meaning of philately through the fostering aid of the beginners' department. The young collectors' space will have its fixed position in the WEEKLY; regularly, the boy reader may turn to it with a feeling of proprietary interest. Our older readers will not begrudge the room that it is calculated will be occupied so well as to greatly strengthen that most important support of philately, the young collector.

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A Postal Phase—In his admirable paper, the *Messenger*, Geo. J. Carter tells of a label with the wording, in eleven lines: "This letter was detained in the Post Office at St. Louis, Mo., on account of the non-payment of postage. One who realizes how important it may be to have letters forwarded immediately has placed the necessary stamps upon this letter. To repay him, please send postage stamps of equal value, addressed to 'Good Will,' St. Louis, Mo." Several years ago, we described this St. Louis label and also one of somewhat similar kind that was used at Baltimore, if we remember rightly. As we were attracted to these semi-postal incidents of a rather remarkable decade in this country, 1870-1880, information accounting for the existence of these striking little pasters was sought. It was known that they were used in the earlier '70's according to the stamps and markings on envelopes that bore them. The philanthropist who introduced the method was a St. Louis gentleman, who by reason of the delay in forwarding a letter to him that inadvertently was not stamped by his correspondent suffered a grievous loss. In order to spare others possibly an affliction arising from the same contingency, he planned his work of noble character, even though based on a matter of a few cents, in each instance. The disappointing part of this story now comes and it has not been given before by us. We have been told that even the generous spirit of the benefactor was wounded by the lack of gratitude of almost all who were favored. The remittances that were to discharge the postage paid out by "Good Will" were so few, comparatively few, that the unresponsiveness chilled his enthusiasm; and the convenience was discontinued. The same fate befell the other examples of this beautiful form of friendliness, we suppose.

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Perhaps—It is predicted that there will be further restrictions of the second class privileges of publications attempted during the present session of congress. The proposal is to be made that a Director of Posts be appointed; "the idea is to make the Director of Posts a long tenure, if not a permanent, official, and to employ a man of eminent business ability. He would be given a salary almost as large as the $12,000 a year, which the Postmaster-General receives."

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Founded on Fact—From G. Wood, Oakland, California, we have received a copy of the Bombay (India) *Guardian*, dated October 8th, 1910; and he calls our attention to the following interesting recital that had place on the first page of this "Christian weekly newspaper circulating throughout India and the east:" "In the course of an address delivered at Melbourne, the Commonwealth Public Service Commissioner made some interesting statements regarding the history of the growth of the postal system of Australia. 'It was in 1810 that the first post office in Australia was set up on rocky ridge above the waters of Sydney Cove, and Mr. Isaac Nichols was authorized to repair on board vessels that came, take away the mail matter, and distribute it to the owners, for which he received at first one shilling a letter, which was soon after reduced to 8d for every English and 4d for every colonial letter. . . . There were no internal mail services, letters inland being sent 'as opportunity occurred,' whilst town letters were casually delivered to the 'more respectable inhabitants' of Sydney.' . . . In the year 1838, was one of the most interesting episodes in all postal history, viz., the issue in Sydney of the first postage stamps in the world. It is true that they were not exactly the same size as at present. In fact, they were the size of foolscap, which means that the stamp was printed in the middle and a very large margin was left to fold over and enclose the article that had to be sent. Up to this time the carriers had to collect cash for every letter they delivered, which was so slow, that for some time previously the question of prepayment of postage had been mooted. In England it had been remitted to a committee of inquiry, but before anything definite was done there, the idea reached Mr. Raymond (appointed Postmaster-General in 1829), who at once saw its advantages, and promptly submitted to the Governor of the day, a sample of one of these stamped covers designed by himself, intended for sale to the public. The Governor, Sir George Gipps, tersely minuted 'Let the experiment be tried,' and thus it came that Australia led the world in the issue of postage stamps, which were brought into use in November, 1838, though not adopted in England until February, 1840, fifteen months later."

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Philatelic View—These early letter sheets of New South Wales are known to philatelists and their date of issue is recorded as November 1st, 1838; and envelopes "sold by the Post Office" are listed as well as the letter sheets. The design was circular and showed the British coat-of-arms, with "General Post Office" above and "Sydney—New South Wales," in two lines below. The impression was a colorless embossing on various papers and the value was one penny, although it was not indicated on the stamp. While naturally, New South Wales is proud of its early adoption of a form of prepaid postal convenience, yet there is no general disposition to qualify the credit awarded Rowland Hill for the invention of the adhesive postage stamp.

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22a		2pi blue	.15	.06
* 31	1896	½pi green and red	.05	.03
* 32		30pa violet and green	.06	.04
* 33		1pi rose and blue	.08	.06
* 34		2pi " "	.18	.12
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* 2		5p green	.08	.05
* 3		10p carmine	.10	.07
* 7	1900	3p brown	.02	.02
* 8		5p green	.03	.02
* 9		10p red	.05	.04
* 10		20p blue	.09	.07
* 11		25p orange	.12	.09
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* 1	1897	3p brown	.15	.07
* 7	1899	3p "	.06	.04
* 9		10p red	.15	.10
* 15	1900	10p red	.08	.05
* 16		20p blue	.09	.08
* 17		25p orange	.12	.09
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* 8	1875	½d purple	.50	.25
* 20	1883	½d green	.06	.03
* 22		2½d blue	.25	.10
* 23		4d slate	.25	.15
* 24		6d lilac	.50	.25
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THE HANOVERIAN FIND.

(In our issue of Nov. 26 Mr. Kidder in his Chronicle gave the particulars of the recent find of Hanoverian stamps, together with statistics. The editor of the *London Philatelist* discourses concerning this matter in the following interesting manner.—Ed.)

The issues of Hanover with the head of King George V (of that country!) have always been deservedly popular with all European collectors; they contain numerous pleasant philatelic varieties, such as marked shades, brilliant colouring, perforations, and red and white gum; hence a specialized collection of this issue will always be a pleasing sight to those philatelic eyes that delight upon variations of colour and effective designs upon genuine old issues. The issue moreover, embraces one of the standard varieties of the German stamps accepted by every collector, i. e., the 10 groschen, green. This stamp has always been fairly scarce, and has enormously risen in value, while for unsevered pairs, used or unused, we ourselves, in common with many another, have often had to loosen wide our purse-strings. We remember to have even heard of one collector who was credited (let us hope wrongly) with the inability to pass any fine copy, and who, it is stated, was the possessor of hundreds of this stamp. The discovery of some 1500 specimens will be naturally a disturbing influence upon those who have accumulations as well as collections. We hear, however, that large portions of these stamps and of the other values are stained by the action of damp on the red gum, and that therefore, probably not one-half will be found "in mint condition." If, therefore, these part sheets of the 10 groschen are divided into the popular "blocks of four," they will only suffice to render some 200 Philatelists happy, and will not materially affect the general body of collectors. The violet-rose shade of the 1 groschen is even now an underestimated stamp unused, the contrary being the fact as regards its present estimation of 25 marks used. It is but a few years since that this stamp was plentiful at a tithe of this figure. Unused, however, in pairs or blocks, it must be rarer than the 10 groschen; but it is even more than doubtful if any of this particular printing will be found in the Berlin auction. Of the remaining varieties found, the shades are less marked, and the greatest interest lies in the two varieties we have referred to.

This discovery of these stamps was quite unanticipated until effected some months since, their existence having been entirely unsuspected, and we are informed that the entire stock was found in a disused attic at one of the large centres of population! This carelessness has been probably productive of the damaged condition of the specimens through the action of damp; but, on the other hand, the oversight will undoubtedly be the means of presenting to the German Postal Administration a sum of money enormously in excess of what it would have received had the oversight not taken place. In any case, the discovery, after half a century, of these interesting reminders of the pre-German Empire period cannot fail to evoke a wide-spread excitement in German philatelic circles, and will probably result not only in adding to the gratification of existing collectors, but be a means of inducing new recruits to join the philatelic army.

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1 piastre on 2½p blue..... .07
1½ " on 3p brown on yellow, chalk..... .08
1¾ " on 4p orange..... .12
2 " on 5p blue and violet, chalk ..... .15
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THE STAMP MARKET.

By Senax.

By degrees the 5c Canal Zone, 1909, "reading down," seems to be giving place to the 5c "reading up," in mixed lots. Both are dated 1909 in the catalogue, hence it seems that the former variety has not run for any very great length of time.

Of Siam, the 9 atts blue and the 5 atts scarlet appear to be a bit scarce.

It seems we are not likely to see many copies of the 12c Chili, 1905; a Continental quotation for a mint copy is 9d (nearly). However, it may be presently possible to get this stamp with the surcharge "Islas de Juan Fernandez" upon it. Hooray!

Roumania, 1903 (post-horses) is a dear set. The 15 bani, black, is evidently worth more than it is priced over here.

Middle values of almost all U. S. A. pictorials seems to be steadily going up as the years go by.

The new set for Colombia promises to be popular, and may lead many collectors to a deeper appreciation of the earlier issues of this country.

Just now there are a lot of unused South Americans about.

The 13 chahi, Persia, 1906, imperforate, is a glorious blue stamp, and I fancy it exists in no great profusion.

Quite a number of collectors seem to be hoarding up the current 7d British.

Argentine, 1910, are magnificent when you come to close quarters with them; they should be selling everywhere like ripe cherries. In fact no up-to-date dealer should be without them.

It is astonishing what a market there is for second quality copies—at half price of course. A stamp is a stamp, and if it is cheap it will sell.

I am constantly protesting against the sundry little tricks practised by some collectors when purchasing, and it is not a bad plan, if you can afford it, to "drop" a customer of this type, and to reward the faithful payers with a gift.

As the weeks go by, Austria, 1910, seems more and more likely to be a good investment.

Pictorial French Colonials, above the 10c value, continue to be difficult to obtain; a postcard from my correspondent this morning announces his inability to supply.

The 50c pictorial, Cuba of 1907, seems cheap at its catalogue price.

Bolivia, 1909, are dear to buy as yet.

Sucre, sol, and peso values of South American States are good things to get where possible.

Abyssinian stamps are often to be met with from a French correspondent.

Malta and Cyprus, apparently diligently collected in quantities by Europeans in those islands, are often met with in large lots in European towns.

Nice new stamps to get may be the 6c Guatemala, 1909; Persia, 1909, 13ch, 26ch and 1 kran; Hayti, 1907, 7c; Cuba, 1910; Austrian Levant, 1908; current Luxemburg, above 10c; Honduras, 1907; Canal Zone, etc. The 1 dinar, Servia, 1905, is a nice stamp to have.

With regard to new issues, many people seem to gather them to keep, instead of gathering them to sell, and this makes them dearer for the time being.

The scarlet Austrian Postage Dues on chalky paper are gradually giving place to the varieties on unsurfaced paper, and one or two denominations of the former may in consequence prove a trifle difficult to meet with. The 30h value may take some rounding up, and even the 2h does not seem over plentiful.—*Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly.*

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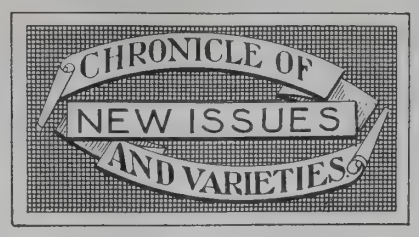
—The next meeting of the Boston Philatelic Society, to be held at the club rooms Dec. 20th, promises to be a gala occasion. There is to be a philatelic Christmas tree and the way things look now, everybody is going to remember everybody else and there will be fun galore. The B. P. S. is a large and happy family and when the boys get together for a good time there is something doing.



Edited by HENRY A. KIDDER.

Any information regarding new issues will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Address HENRY A. KIDDER, 17 Addison St., Arlington, Mass. Letters calling for a reply should contain a self-addressed, stamped envelope. We cannot give applicants the addresses of our correspondents.

UNITED STATES.—We are indebted to H. F. Metz for a copy of the new reply postal card, which presents a much more artistic appearance than the McKinley single card now current. The two stamps on the different parts of the card are identical, except that the message card has a portrait of Washington, and the reply card Martha Washington, the names being placed below the portrait as above printed. The frame of the stamp is circular in form, with "U. S. Postal Card" above and "One Cent" below, and the figures of value in small circles let into the sides of the larger circle. The names appear outside the frame, with laurel wreaths extending up both sides above the value. The legend, "This side of Card is for Address only," is contained in a long oblong frame, with double lined border, and minute points at the ends. The reply card, has the words "Reply Card," in a curved line above the frame containing the notice.

H. F. Metz also sends us three of the current 2c envelopes, as follows: One watermarked "1907," with round loop on the "9"; another with a long tail to the "7," and a third without any watermark at all.

Henry C. Buland shows us some curiosities in the way of paid permits, including: Chicago, Ill., Permit No. 251, 3c Paid, which has been obliterated by heavy parallel bars, and the same lettering and number printed in a new form below, but in smaller type, and new value of 1c Paid. Curiously enough, Mr. Buland has been able to secure one of these with a double impression, the new form impressed over the first permit having been struck over in its turn and obliterated by the same printing and rules. Permit No. 625 of Chicago, 2c Paid, printed in red, but with "1" in black, with a square block impressed over the figure "2." Permit No. 346 of New York, 1c Paid, with 1c stamp placed over the permit, and the same thing done to Permit No. 7 of Milwaukee, 1c paid.

F. H. Webster sends us a copy of the current 2c envelope on white, showing two little spots of color on the neck just under the jaw; and also the current 1c stamp, with a colorless dot in the oval in front and on a level with the eyes. These things are all due to defects in printing, and do not occur on all the stamps in any given sheet, and sometimes only a single specimen can be found. Their philatelic value is very small.

The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 5c value on the new watermark, and also the 10c special delivery. The same peculiarities of spacing the letters as noted last week appear on the stamps before us.

S. E. Young, M. D., sends a copy of the current tax stamp of North Carolina, made to be affixed to the receptacle holding two gallons of illuminating oil, the tax being one cent. The stamp is an elaborately lithographed affair, printed in black, and numbered in red, "H 32,050," showing considerable use.

Dr. Young reports that the 2c with the new watermark was received at his postoffice Nov. 15, but the 1c stamps in the same order were on the old paper. In a batch of 1000 stamps, 600 had the new watermark inverted, and 400 were normal. The plate numbers found were 5285, 5286, 5292 and 5293.

Frank B. Eldredge shows us one of the 2c current envelopes on white, which is half "albino," all of the stamp to the right of a line drawn just to the right of the "N" of "United" and the "S" of "Cents" being without color.

Frank B. Eldredge sends a copy of the Permit No. 247 of Boston, Mass., 2c Paid, which has been obliterated by parallel rules, and a new form printed to the left, with same lettering, but for 1c Paid. Mr. Eldredge also reports the following new precancels: Scott's No. 332, precancelled Buffalo, N. Y., normal, type 4; Scott's No. 324, precancelled Lyons, N. Y., reading up, type 1.

We are indebted to Royal F. Nichols and Jno. J. Spencer for information regarding the new reply card.

George S. Chapman has shown us specimens the current 1c manila and 2c amber envelopes, albinos, but which have the color on the inside,—what printers term an "offset." The 1c has a return card, which is colorless on the outside and offset on the inside. Mr. Chapman has also found the current 2c envelope, as an albino on 1903 paper; also the current 2c on blue, with a large colorless spot at the bottom of the "C" in "Cents." Mr. Chapman has also shown us Plate No. 5300, with the star impressed twice.

AUSTRALIA.—*Ewen's Weekly* notes the fact that the stamps of the different states became available for use all over the Commonwealth, October 13.

BAVARIA.—Philip Wolff sends us a translation of an article from the *Munchener Neueste Nachrichten,* regarding the new set of Jubilee stamps announced in No. 1034. We condense as follows:

"The lower values, 3pf to 50pf will show the head of the Prince Regent designed after the well known plaquette by Professor Hildebrandt. The upper left corner will carry the Bavarian lion in a coat of arms; the upper right corner the Bavarian lozenge shaped shield. A laurel wreath will swing out from the right and left of the portrait to both corner coat-of-arms. In a band under the portrait is the word 'pfennig'; to the right and left of it, the figures of value."

The lower values will be of the same size as the current stamps, the colors to be as required by the Postal Union. The perforation will not be changed, and the stamps will be watermarked.

The higher values, 1, 2, 3 and 5 marks, will be of larger size, and will show other portraits of the Prince Regent, by Professor Alexander Fuks and others. There will also be stamps of 10 and 20 marks, which will show the well known picture of the Prince Regent, by Professor Von Defreggers, known as "The Regent as a Huntsman." All values from 1m to 20m will be printed in two colors. It is expected that the stamps will be issued in March, 1911, and will be available for use throughout the rest of the year. The printing will be a large one, as it is proposed to avoid the unlovely spectacle afforded by the speculative sale of the Austrian Jubilee stamps.

CANAL ZONE.—Gerald L. Bliss sends us the current post card, the stamp being Scott's type A5, but with the heavy surcharge with small letters, reading up. Mr. Bliss classes it as the "New York" surcharge.

CHINA.—John Terry reports that the current 5c stamp is coming in a red violet shade, instead of violet.

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MONACO.—Three new "Recouvrement" stamps have been shown us from this principality, which by the way has just been declared a republic. We understand these stamps are for the collection of fines upon letters illegally sent through the mail as circulars, etc. The design is similar to the current postage stamps, with reading matter in place of the portrait of Prince Albert. We are indebted to the New England Stamp Co. for the above.

Recouvrement Stamps.

1c olive green.
10c lilac.
30c bistre.

RUSSIA.—*Offices in the Levant.*—John Terry reports having seen the two lower values of the Metelin, Rizeh and S. Athon surcharges, as announced in No. 1033. The values seen in each case are the 5pa on 1k orange and 10pa on 2k green.

Ewen's Weekly says that new printings of the 5pa have been made for both Constantinople and Jerusalem, the overprint being in dark blue, instead of black.

ST. KITTS-NEVIS.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 1sh orange and green on chalky multiple paper.

ST. VINCENT.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 2½d ultramarine in the new design. It has a period after the "D" of the value.

Adhesive.

2½d ultramarine.

TRENGGANU.—The *Berlinger Briefmarken Zeitung* reports having seen specimen copies of the new stamps. The design shows a portrait of the Rajah, with inscriptions in both English and Malay.

Adhesives.

1c green.
3c scarlet.
4c yellow brown.
5c gray.
8c ultramarine.
10c brown on yellow.
20c violet and lilac.
50c black on green.
$1 carmine and black on blue.

Post Cards.

1c green; 74x121 mm.
3c rose; 90x140 mm.

WITH THE BOY PHILATELIST.

We propose to insert upon this page matter that will be of interest to the boy collector. Some two thousand boys are now on our mailing list and it is our desire to come closely in contact with them in such a manner as will be most helpful. Any information desired will be cheerfully rendered. If personal reply is wanted enclose stamped, self-addressed envelope.

IN GREETING.

We feel that it is no more than right that our large contingent of boy readers should have a portion of the WEEKLY that they can feel is all their own. We have so many subscribers who will appreciate information concerning the elementary principles of philately that we make no apology for devoting this page to their interests.

Since the first of September, several hundred boy subscribers have been added to our subscription list, on short term subscriptions, and the receipt of several communications in the past week or two is the cause of our taking this step.

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We shall secure an editor for this department and earnestly urge our young subscribers to use this department in any way possible for their edification and enjoyment.

—THE MANAGING EDITOR.

OUR STAMP STUDY CONTEST.

What do you know about this stamp? What can you find out in addition to what you know? This contest is open only to readers of the WEEKLY *under 20 years of age* and replies must be received by January 3, 1911. We shall publish one or more of the winning entries and offer the following prizes:—1st. 400 all different foreign stamps; 2nd. 300 different foreign stamps and 3rd a book on U. S. stamps.

This contest will give you an incentive for studying this particular stamp while at the same time it will give you practice in expressing your thought.

HOW TO HINGE A STAMP.

By J. M. BARTELS.

Stamp hinges have been in use for many years and are now indispensable to every collector. There are a number of different makes upon the market, each one claiming special merits. However, certain qualities are essential and none of them should be found lacking in a hinge which aspires to philatelic favor.

The paper should be rather thin and exceedingly strong. The gum, which is the main thing, should be chemically pure and consist of several coatings. It is also very important that it should be peelable, so as to be readily removed from stamp or album without tearing or leaving fragments of paper behind.

It is rather astonishing to find how few people know the proper way to mount a stamp in the most practical manner. It is particularly desirable that great care should be used in hinging unused stamps which have the original gum. The mistake most frequently made is the covering of too much of the back of the stamp, instead of just as much as is necessary to hold it firmly in place. It is not necessary for a hinge to be long, but it should be fully half an inch broad. Not more than three-sixteenths of an inch of the length of the hinge should ever cover the back of a stamp, especially when it is unused and has the original gum. In order to fasten the hinge to the stamp, take the stamp into the left hand, moisten one end of the hinge, then press it firmly against back of stamp near the top, the hinge covering space before stated. Having done this, proceed to bend the hinge just below the perforations. Finally, wet a portion of the other much larger end of the hinge, then place stamp in the place designed for it, see that you get it exactly straight by adjusting it with the fingers of the left hand, and not until you have done all this should the final act of pressing it down with the right hand be done. When these few hints are carefully observed, one very soon acquires such practice in mounting stamps that it can be properly done without any loss of time. The specimens will always look nice and straight in the book, and if a fair sized hinge is used, they can be remounted once or twice without having to use another hinge.

It is the practice generally to bend the hinge slightly below the upper edge of perforations, as it looks much neater than to have a portion of the gum and hinge showing above the stamp; however some collectors prefer the latter method as the perforations are better protected and not exposed to the risk of being broken off by frequent inspection of the back. The latter method is especially preferrable when stamps are mounted for exchange circuits, as every collector has to look at the back of the stamp before he decides to take it.

The use of stamp tongs cannot be too urgently commended for the handling of stamps. No matter how clean the hands may be, if a stamp has been handled with them about twenty times it is bound to show the effects of it. Many collectors and dealers carry their tongs in their pockets with the same regularity as they do their watches.

A FEW BEGINNINGS.

There is an old saying to the effect that the cage should be prepared before the bird is caught. This holds good in stamp collecting. As soon as possible, upon the possesion of the few stamps that start your collection, get a good album—one which has printed spaces for the stamps and in which you can tell exactly where the stamp belongs. The so-called "Beginners' Albums" are, after all, not so valuable at this stage, as they do not give "our amateur collector" what he really most needs. For instance, they do not tell what other stamps comprise a certain set, and often do not illustrate all the types. A blank album should be used only by the advanced collector.

Every collector should own, too, a catalogue. With its aid, he can study his stamps more carefully and may discover varieties which, without it, he might never have found. Viewed in this light the catalogue is a money saver. Indeed, persons have often been compelled upon the purchase of a catalogue to buy varieties of stamps which they had already owned, but had traded as duplicates. In addition to his album and catalogue, every collector should provide himself with a good magnifying glass, a millimeter scale, a perforation gauge and a watermark detector. These appliances assist him in the study of his stamps by disclosing many different varieties and, again save him money.

Now for the stamps themselves. In collecting, if you have the time and the money, collect generally, if not, some particular country, or set of countries, and specialize. Even if a general collector it is well to have some certain country to whose stamps you pay especial attention. Be sure to free all stamps from any paper which may adhere to the back and in mounting use very thin hinges. The lack of neatness in some collections is almost painful. Often the stamps are not evenly mounted; often they have paper sticking to the back, and oftener yet they are torn or soiled. Avoid all these faults. Arrange your collection neatly and you will increase its beauty fifty per cent.

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The New Regulations Designed to Correct New Issue Abuses.

By courtesy of ALBERT C. STEWART.

1. The Additional Regulations made by the Governor in Council the 10th day of August, 1909, are hereby repealed.

2. The amount received from a dealer or other person for the purchase of stamps, shall be brought to account in the Post Office Cash Book on the same day that it is received.

3. The sums received from each Dealer or other person shall be placed to the credit of his account in a book to be called the "Stamp Dealers Subsidiary Ledger," and the stamps supplied shall be entered to his debit under the dates of the transactions.

4. The Stamp Dealers Subsidiary Ledger shall be balanced at the close of each financial year. Balance Sheets shall be made out from this ledger at the end of each quarter, which must agree with the balances shown for the same period under the head "Remittances for Stamps" in the principal ledger of the Department.

5. The orders or requisitions for stamps received from Dealers shall be submitted to the Colonial Secretary, and these, on being approved, shall be executed in the order of their receipt.

6. A foil or list showing the numbers, denominations, and values of stamps supplied shall be enclosed with the stamps to the Dealer or other person.

7. No standing orders for the supply of new issues of stamps shall be received and orders shall only be accepted for a definite supply of stamps in current use.

8. Should it be impossible to supply at the same time all stamps requisitioned for, then the unused portion of the remittance shall be returned to the Dealer or other person giving the order.

9. No information as to new issues of stamps or contemplated changes in stamps shall be furnished to any Dealer or other person.

10. No obliteration or cancellation of stamps (whether of old or present issue) shall take place except in the ordinary course of correspondence transmitted through the post.

11. Should, however, addressed envelopes, letters or any postal packet whatsoever bearing stamps of a sufficient value to cover the payment of postage be received from a dealer or any other person with the request that they be posted by the Postmaster, and no infringement of the postal laws or regulations in connection with the same, would be caused thereby, the article or articles may be posted singly and transmitted in the ordinary course of the post.

12. It shall not be permissible for the Postmaster to affix stamps to envelopes or other postal matter, with the object of having them cancelled.

13. After the stamps have been supplied and forwarded to the Dealer or other person, the responsibility of the Postmaster shall cease.

14. Any stamp or stamps, whether of present or old issue forwarded to the Postmaster with a request for exchange shall be returned to the sender with a statement that such exchange is not permissible.

15. These Regulations shall come into force on the 10th day of October, 1910.

Made by the Governor in Council this 20th day of September, 1910.

C. LIVINGSTON WILSON,
Clerk of Councils.

LATEST FROM AUSTRALIA.

By J. H. SMYTH.

It was stated last month (September) that all the Australian State stamps would, after the 1st of January next, be overprinted "AUSTRALIA." Members of the Victorian and Sydney Philatelic Societies considered that this was needless expenditure, and would put philatelists to some inconvenience. The Secretaries of both Societies wrote to the Postmaster-General to that effect, with the result that in the House of Representatives on Thursday, the 13th October, the Postmaster-General announced that from that day stamps now used in the various States would be valid for all postal purposes within the Commonwealth, and added: "State boundaries no longer exist so far as this matter is concerned. This, of course, does not apply to rates, which for the present will not be altered. But any stamp issued by any State may be used in any other State. In order to commemorate the occasion, every member of the Commonwealth Parliament will be presented with a full set of Australian stamps."

The day after, namely, the 14th October, I ascertained from the chief clerk of the Sydney office that instructions had been telephoned through from the Central Administration, Melbourne, the previous day, to have an order sent round to the officials in accordance with the above statement, and I took the opportunity of passing through the post a number of envelopes bearing the stamps of different States with the object of having them obliterated on the first day of the new order of things.

There is a strong disposition on the part of the present Government to break down State identifications, or, in other words, to bring about "unification," and the new departure is a step in that direction. It is impossible to say how long State stamps will be used promiscuously, but it is anticipated that by the 1st of May next year a Commonwealth series will have appeared.—*Gibbons Weekly*

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REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING DEC. 10, 1910.

APPLICATIONS PENDING.

Gerspacher, R. E.
LaVaute, Napolean H.
Barnett, Maurice
Koch, A. F.
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Paine, Chas. B.
Koechlin, Alfred
Witmer, Earl Elwood
Eames, Edward A.
Piens, C.
Franke, Herman
Scott, J. E.
Thomas, Rudolph
Patch, Chas., Jr.
Walker, H. Layton

APPLICATION POSTED.

Lincoln, Leo. B., 5049 Winthrop Ave., Chicago, Ill.; age 35; General Manager with Canada Fertilizer Co., Ltd. Reference: Frank's Tourist & Ticket Co. Proposed by Hugh M. Clark, No. 3183.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3902. Urynowicz, Martin M., Chicago, Ill.
3903. Grosse, Elimar L., Kansas City, Mo.
3904. Spaeter, Philip H., Philadelphia, Pa.
3905. Crabtree, Perry E., Oakland, Calif.

RESIGNATION ACCEPTED.

3398. Baker, Dwight B., Ottumwa, Iowa.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

1870. Emery, Wilson C., from 50 Dawes St. to 31 Westminster St., Springfield, Mass.
2812. Jackson, Stedman W., from Detroit, Mich., to care Bank of Tampa, Tampa, Fla.

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Total membership Dec. 3, 1910,	1744
New stockholders admitted Dec. 10,	4
	1748
Resignation accepted Dec. 10,	1
Total membership Dec. 10, 1910,	1747

W. H. BARNUM, Sec.

EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE.

Announcement is made that in over 100 newspapers of the larger cities will shortly appear a Burroughs article on Liberia. Arrangements have been made to supply original copies of this article for distribution to readers of this publication for the use of their local newspaper. Illustrations in the form of a flat matrix about 4x6 inches in size will be forwarded only to those applicants who specifically state that same can be used. Absolutely no charge is made for this service, which will be continued monthly or until our fund for this purpose is exhausted. This is a grand opportunity to work up enthusiasm among the lukewarm collectors of your locality.

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BRANCH REPORT.

Chicago.—The 292nd regular meeting was held Dec. 7 with ten members present. The following members were elected: Edw. H. Buehler, M. H. Leighton, A. E. Johnson, Geo. Dunton, C. Staub, A. C. Burch, and Wm. H. Gardiner. Balance in the treasury of $11 was reported. Mr. Bloss was appointed to take charge of the entertainment for January. After an informal discussion of various topics and stamp drawing the meeting adjourned to Jan. 11.

The Boston Philatelic Society.

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Meetings first (informal) and third (regular) Tuesdays, Room 322, Tremont Bdg., 7.30 P. M.

BOSTON, MASS., Dec. 17, 1910.

The 238th (regular) meeting of the Society will be held at the Club room on Tuesday evening, December 20th, at 7.30 o'clock.

The Entertainment Committee has planned to have a

Philatelic Christmas Tree

and every member within reach is urged to attend and bring with him some little gift that he thinks might appeal to the fancies or whims of any of his philatelic friends who may be present. Santa Claus will be there and will see that *every member present* is remembered on this joyous occasion.

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C. A. HOWES, Sec.

IMPORTANT!

Members desiring to subscribe to the *London Philatelist* at our Club rate of $1.05 are urged to send in their subscriptions to the Secretary as soon as possible.

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OUR BOOK REVIEW.

The regard that we have felt for Whitfield King & Co.'s Standard Catalogue of Postage Stamps since the appearance of its first edition eleven years ago is fully sustained in the latest edition, the eleventh, which was received some weeks ago but has not been mentioned heretofore. As is well known to older collectors, Whitfield King's catalogue was the first of the important and pretentious catalogues to adhere to simplified lines; in fact, it was published primarily for the purpose of providing a *vade mecum* for the collector who would dismiss the frills of philately. The simplicity of the catalogue is based on a sanity of treatment that compels respect even for the partisan of "varieties".

Perforation and small varieties are not recognized but with the elimination of these, there are nearly five hundred pages in the present catalogue, exclusive of the publishers' announcements; and the feature that was commended so highly at the time of its adoption, a pronouncing vocabulary of names of stamp issuing countries, is retained. The cuts of stamps illustrating the text are one-quarter the size of the originals; the type impressions are plain and the paper of fine quality.

We believe that many collectors temperamentally are opposed to the exploitation of minor varieties and they will find comfort and satisfaction in collecting according to the suggestions of the catalogue. Aside from the merits inherent in the catalogue and those acquired with each succeeding edition, the popularity of the catalogue under notice is being augmented by the great number of new issues that are making their entry. It is the belief of some observers that the more straight varieties there are to engage the attention of the collector, the weaker becomes the inclination to attend to the small variations in stamps. From the preface of the catalogue, we take the following statistics concerning the number of postage stamps issued up to date that come within the scope of the catalogue: "The total number of stamps issued to date as included in this catalogue is 23,404, of which 6,984 are apportioned to the British Empire and 16,420 to the rest of the world. Europe has issued 4,905, Asia 4,532, Africa 5,252, America 5,164, the West Indies 1,861, and Oceania 1,660."

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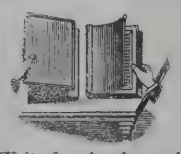

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Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

THE 5c AND 10c 1859 PHILIPPINES.

BY MAJOR F. L. PALMER.

(It was our intention to use this entire article in our issue of Dec. 10 but a portion of the copy became misplaced. To do full justice to Maj. Palmer we now print the MSS. as submitted and any of our readers who are able to render the author any assistance are urged to write him at 514 Peachtree St., Atlanta, Ga.—ED.)

Due to the recent purchase of a full mint sheet of the 10 Cs. (Scott's No. 11) of the Philippines issue of 1859, my attention has lately been focussed upon a problem which I find myself unable to solve satisfactorily without aid, viz.:—the setting of the 5 and 10 Cs. of this issue in the various printings. As this question would also interest other specialists in these interesting stamps of our "farthest frontier", and as the needed data may be in the possession of other collectors or of dealers having large supplies or of those members of the Philatelic "Old Guard" who have wisely kept scrap-books of information published in the past, I am emboldened to appeal to them, through the columns of your valued WEEKLY, in the hope that each may give me, in a similar manner or through personal correspondence, such information as he may possess for the general good of philately as well as for my own information.

In order that it may be understood just what information is needed and its bearing on the matter at issue, it will be necessary to summarize the information already available, before stating the results of my researches in this direction. According to "The Postage Stamps of the Philippines:"—The 5 Cs. has been noted in sheets of 56, 130, and 192 stamps, and the same variation may be expected of the 10 Cs. Each group of four is separated from its neighbor by a dividing line except in the sheets of 130 where it is omitted." Also:—"Stamps surrounded individually by a frame appear to be from the edges of sheets where they were used singly in perpendicular strips to fill out the requisite number of stamps which varied with different printings." In speaking of this issue Mencarini, who is generally very accurate, says that these same sheets contain stamps not in groups of four varieties but single and each surrounded by its own separate frame; he says definitely that this is true of both the 5 and 10 Cs. These single framed stamps are very rare, however; I have never seen the 10 Cs. in this form, and have seen but two copies of the 5a, one of which is in my own collection. And it may be added here that, as will be seen later, these stamps cannot be obtained from the vertical strips used to fill out the margins of sheets, as these latter come in vertical pairs and do not have the necessary margins outside the frame.

My studies have resulted in a belief that there were at least three different printings of the 5 Cs., and may have been a fourth; that there were at least two printings of the 10 Cs., but probably no more; and that all of these printings were from four lithographic stones (on which the values were changed for printing the 10 Cs.) which were arranged as shown on the following page (the various stones being numbered 1-2-3-4 and the three groups representing the three different printings):—

In the settings as here given, the figures 1, 2, 3, and 4, in the stones represent the four normal varieties, and in the order in which they occur in the normal block. The symbol O is used to indicate the stamps filled in on the margins in vertical pairs, as the definite types used (and in what order) are not now known to me. The x indicates the believed position of the stamps individually surrounded by frame.

The settings of Stones 1 and 2 are definitely known; a sheet of the 10 Cs. from Stone 1, is in my own collection, while a full sheet of the 5 Cs. from Stone 2 is in the collection of a very well known collector of Cleveland, Ohio.

It will be noted that the only difference between Stones 1 and 2 lies in the vertical strip on the right; in Stone 1 the two upper pairs are of types 1 and 3, while in Stone 2 one pair is of 1 and 3 and the next lower is of 2 and 4; in other words, in Stone 1 the two upper pairs are of 1 and 3 and the two lower are of 2 and 4, while in Stone 2 pairs of 1 and 3 and 2 and 4 alternate downwards. Stones 3 and 4 are theoretical; that is they are not definitely known to be so arranged, but the arrangement is inferred from known facts and to ac-

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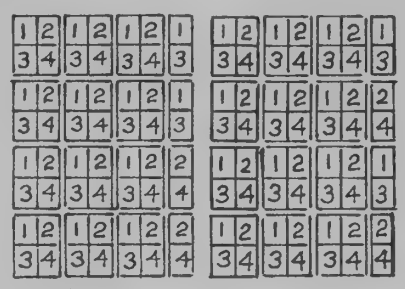

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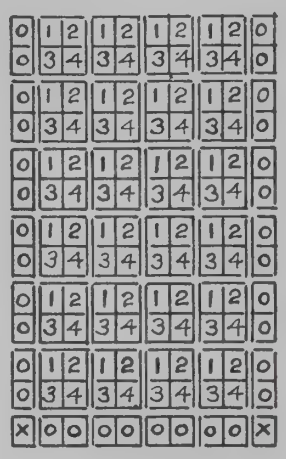

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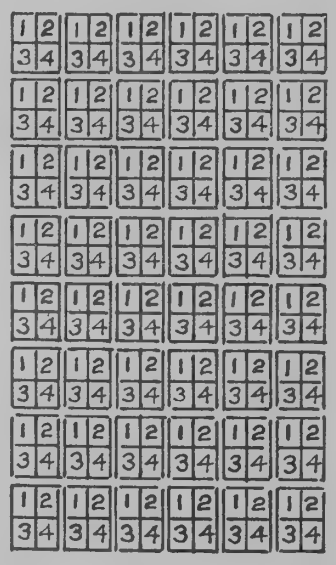

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Such information as is available indicates that larger sheets of the paper were used in the later printings; it is also known that blocks (of the 5 Cs. at least) are found showing vertical pairs in a strip on the *left* of the sheet; and it is further necessary to account for the singly framed stamps. My theory is, therefore, that, when the second printing became necessary and the paper furnished was found to be larger, the original stones (or one of them, at least) were prepared by placing additional designs upon the vacant space to the left of the original setting and above it; the indications all are that the original design was in lower right corner of the stone, hence it is believed that there was room below for only one horizontal strip; this being placed under the *blocks* above would leave a vacant space in each corner for one stamp only, thus giving rise to the stamps individually framed. In support of the above theory it may be said that any sheet of 130 stamps would naturally be arranged in a rectangle having either 13 rows of 10 stamps each, or 10 rows of 13 stamps each; starting with the known arrangement of Stones 1 and 2 (with vertical strip at right) the manner of adding to either would be limited by the space available, and several different arrangements are theoretically possible; but, when limited by the necessity for accounting for the known vertical strip at the *left* and of the singly framed stamps, we find that only *two* arrangements will fill all the conditions and these are identical except that the horizontal strip might be either at top or bottom; the latter appearing the most easily explained, I have accepted it as having the greater probability.

As to Stone 4 I have no definite data, and have given an arrangement which appears to be the logical one, for the following reasons:—192 stamps is the equivalent of 48 blocks of four; and the shape of the stone would probably best suit an arrangement of these in 8 rows of 6 blocks of four each. Several other arrangements might be made (especially by using strips and singles as in Stone 3), but it would seem that sufficient experience must have been had by the time this stone was prepared to enable the lithographers to prepare it correctly and without recourse to such expedients to utilize the space.

Now as to the 10 Cs. it must be noted that this was the double rate (letters from ½ oz. to 1 oz.) and would be less commonly used for this reason, as well as because two stamps of the commoner rate, 5 Cs., would serve the same purpose. Naturally, therefore, there would probably be fewer printings than of the commoner value. All I have seen came from the first printing and from Stone 1 (at least so far as I have been able to identify them), and I should incline to doubt as to a second printing except for Mencarini's statement that they are to be found in the individual frame, which would necessarily be from a later printing, probably the second.

Due to variations caused by more or less imperfect transferring of the design to the stones, as well as to retouching of the designs after transfer, many differences may be found between stamps even from the same transfer type and in the same sheet. By these differences many of the 5 Cs. and 10 Cs. stamps can be identified as printed from the same plate or stone. In a similar manner it is proved that, after the 5 Cs. had been printed from Stone 1, the "5 Cs." was taken off the stone for each stamp, and "10 Cs." put in by hand; this is shown by the varieties in position of "10 Cs." with reference to "FRANCO" and the right end of the label, as well as by differences of shape of the "0" of 10, shape of "C" of Cs., and position of the period below "s" of Cs. It may be said of the 10 Cs., therefore, that as many varieties may be found as there are stamps to the sheet; in the 5 Cs. on the contrary, the only variations from the normal four varieties are caused by imperfect transfers or slight "touching-up" of individual stamps on the stone.

The above settings (and remarks upon them) account for all data known to me except the statement that the outer frame line of the normal block was omitted in the sheets of 130; if this is correct the above theory of the making of the stone for that printing is wholly wrong, and the stamps with individual frames would probably come from the third printing, the stone for which would have to be arranged in some manner similar to that given for Stone 3, except as to the number of stamps to the stone. I am by no means convinced, however, of the accuracy of that statement, which could be proved only by inspection of a full sheet. I have seen blocks of four of the 5 Cs. in which the outer line was missing while the lines between stamps in the block appeared as usual; I am inclined to believe that this is due to defective transferring of individual blocks rather than to a designed arrangement of a new stone. It is, however, *possible* that such a stone was made, or even that the blocks added to Stone 1 (or 2) to make Stone 3 were without such outer line, thus giving rise to the statement above quoted. I am wholly open to conviction on this point, and any information will be thankfully received, whether confirmatory of the theories advanced above or in refutation of them.

If full sheets of the various settings could be found, they would definitely settle the whole question, of course. Descriptions of these settings published at or near the time of issue would be of great value, though only in proportion to the details given and to the accounting for known varieties (vertical strips, horizontal strips, stamps framed individually, etc.).

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—Watkins and Steele of Chicago, Ill., will shortly issue "Stepping Stones to Stamp Collecting" by Julian T. Baber, the well-known contributor to the philatelic press. The book is designed to promote stamp collecting, particularly with the younger class of collectors.

—Clippings acknowledged with thanks from Herman W. Boers (2), Marcel E. Taller, Maitland Milliken, J. H. Massey and Hugo Kuenstler (4).

CORRECTION GLADLY NOTED.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12, 1910.

TO THE EDITOR:

If you will notice our ad for Dec. 10 you will see that the printer has made an error, changing "buying from" to "from buying". Will you kindly look up the copy sent you for that date and see who is to blame?

We should appreciate a correction through the columns of the WEEKLY, as our ad reads like a comic column as it stands. The books are not so bad that we care to advertise the fact; indeed, many say that they are the best they have ever seen.

ILLINOIS STAMP COMPANY,
WM. BLOSS, Mgr.

CONTRACT FOR 18,500 LINES.

The WEEKLY has made a contract with the C. E. Hussman Stamp Co. to use *18,500 lines* of advertising during the year 1911. This is the largest contract ever made by the WEEKLY and represents the biggest sum ever offered for a single block of advertising of this character. We shall make further reference to this remarkable transaction in our issue of Dec. 31.

THE MANAGING EDITOR.

MORE OF CLARK'S BARGAINS
United States and Colonies and British North America

* Indicates unused. Everything in superb condition.

Scott's Cat. No.		Cat. Value.	Net
238	**Cuba** 1905-07, 50c blue & black ...	$0.40	$0.20
353	" Special, 10c orange **"INM"**	.12	.06
* 19	**Canal Zone** 1906, 10c yellow....	.25	.15
* 24	" " 1c on 20c	.05	.03
* 25	" " 8c on 50c	.20	.12
* 8	**Guam,** 10c brown.....	1.00	.50
* 60	**Hawaii** 1893, 6c green.....	.50	.25
* 74	" 1894, 1c yellow.....	.05	.03
* 75	" " 2c brown	.08	.05
* 76	" " 5c rose lake.....	.15	.08
* 77	" " 10c green.....	.25	.12
* 78	" " 12c blue	.30	.20
* 79	" " 25c blue	.60	.30
* 80	" 1899, 1c green.....	.04	.03
* 81	" " 2c carmine rose ...	.06	.03
* 82	" " 5c blue.....	.12	.06
* 90a	**Canada** 1908, 2c imperf.....	.05	.03
47	" 1892-93, 50c blue	.30	.12
100	" 1908, 7c olive	.15	.08
—	" Dues, set of 3 var.....	.09	.03
160	" Special, 10c green.....	.10	.06
* 6	**New Brunswick,** 1c red lilac ..	.25	.12
* 9	" 12½c blue....	.50	.25
* 10	" 17c black.....	.40	.18
* 18	**Newfoundland** 1863, 4p lake...	1.00	.50
* 57	" 1896, 1c green.....	.25	.12
* 82	" 1898-9, 2c vermilion	.08	.03
* 83	" " 3c orange...	.06	.04

Blocks of nearly everything above can be supplied at same rate.

Anything unsatisfactory can be returned for immediate refund.

Write me for anything in my specialties, U. S. and Colonies and B. N. A.

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HUGH M. CLARK
536 Postal Telegraph Building, CHICAGO, ILL.

U. S.

I can still furnish some of the following in very fine condition.

No.		New.	Used
217	30c orange brown.....	..	$0.30
229	90c orange.....	1.25	.35
229	90c " blk. of 4.....	5.00	..
260	50c "	.75	.20
260	50c " blk. of 4.....	3.00	..
261	$1.00 black	1.50	.75
262	$2.00 blue	..	2.50
263	$5.00 green.....	6.50	..
263	$5.00 " blk. of 4.....	25.00	15.00
274	15c blue	.25	.03
274	15c " blk. of 4.....	1.00	..
275	$1.00 black	1.25	.25
275	$1.00 " blk. of 4.....	5.00	..
277	$2.00 blue	3.00	..
278	$5.00 green.....	..	2.00

All of above are gems. Cash orders get the preference. Any can be returned if not satisfactory.

D. T. EATON, MUSCATINE, IOWA.

P. S. Co. Specials, All Mint

U. S. A. 10c on bluish, exp. paper, a few copies with straight edge at top..**$1.50**
Newfoundland No. 54, well centered (they rarely are) ..... .30
" No. 26 ..... 1.40
" " 28 ..... .65
" " 3, perfect, good margins 1.00
Hawaii 1894, 25c blue ..... .30
Philippine, Official Seal, 1907, rouletted.... .15
Blocks of four U. S. imperf., 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, cpl. .75
Alaska-Yukon, imperf. blocks of four ..... .14
Hudson-Fulton, " " ..... .14
Lincoln, " " ..... .16
Scott's Standard Cat. 1911, cloth cover, by mail .75
" " paper " " .60
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* 2c red..... .10
* 2c " (Lincoln) ..... .20
* 3c violet 7.50
10c yellow..... 7.50

Prices are for **perfectly centered,** mint copies.

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H. WESLEY LEGG, Pepperell, Mass.

Buy now before prices advance further. I had 6 copies of the 5c bluish which I sold at $5.00 each. They are now bringing $15.00!

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1874 Wmk. CC, imperf., 4d brown, " 6.50
" " 6d blue, " 5.50
1880 " perf. 14, 6d blue, mint 2.50
" " 1sh green, " 9.00
1886 Wmk. CA, " 6d pale olive gr'n, mint 2.00
1902 King Head, Single, 1sh violet, mint.. 1.00
" " 2sh slate, " .. 1.00
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" 2½, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 50, 75, 80, 100..... .75
Portugal, 2½, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 50, 75, 80, 100.... .75
" surch. "Republica", 2½, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 50, 75, 80, 100.. .65
" " " 200, 300 reis, both.. .75
Belgium Congo, 5, 10, 15, 25 ..... .18
China (temple of heaven), 2, 3, 7..... .20
Gibraltar, 1sh blk. and green..... .35
Great Britain, Levant, ½, 1, 2d..... .11
Rhodesia, ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 1sh..... 1.65
" 2sh, 2½sh, both..... 1.50
Russia, China, 1, 2, 4, 7, 10..... .18
Switzerland, Dues, 1, 3, 5, 10, 15, 25, 50 ..... .40
Fiji, 2½d ultramarine ..... .08
Italy, surcharged Tripoli, 1, 2, 5, 10, 15 ..... .12
Union of South Africa, 2½d..... .08
Russia, Levant, 1, 2, 4, 10..... .12

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RENEWAL.—Arrearages are shown by the label on your wrapper. If the number on your label has been passed by the whole number on the first page of this issue kindly remit 50c for a year's subscription. Better still send $1 for a two years' subscription.

EXCHANGES.—Send one copy as below and a second to C. E. Severn, 721 Oxford Bldg., Chicago, Ill. We will reciprocate with two copies when desired.

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BOSTON, MASS.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS.

We extend to all our subscribers the greetings of the season with the fervent hope that each one may be able to make his album a Christmas present of good space filling properties.

Our own stocking has fairly bulged with good things, the best of all being an 18,500 line contract for advertising space taken by the C. E. Hussman Stamp Co. of St. Louis, Mo. We shall tell you more about this later.

To all our boy readers Santa Claus presents a new department in which the boys must have the right of way and we propose to keep them interested.

1911 should be a great year!

THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Greeting—Christmas time in philately is a happy season and the cheer is shared equally by boy-collector and man-collector. Many a beginner's heart is gladdened by the gift of albums or stamps or both from discriminating parents or sensible friends; and many an adult finds that the comforting influence and vitalizing power of stamps are almost a necessity to counteract the wearing activities of these days that are so full of work and pleasure. Christmas is a time that is appreciated according to the sentiment that is in the soul of the celebrant and as philatelists teem with sentiment, these are joyous days for them. It takes a large cornucopia to hold the expansive good wishes of the WEEKLY to its readers, at this festival season.

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You Know Our Address—We highly approve of the words in the *Ladies' Home Journal,* in the following printed form: "Money and postage stamps make excellent gifts when one has no idea of what to give. If one is afraid to offend a friend by sending either gift," but here we must interrupt to say that while the fear that the money or stamps would be rejected might deter some of our friends from making their proffers to us, yet those who know us, will not hesitate to send their tokens of friendship in the assurance that they will not be embarrassed by having them returned. While we cannot approve everything that has appeared recently in the great publication that has been named, yet we have keen appreciation for its position in exploiting postage stamps as Christmas gifts. This indeed is "helping philately."

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The Facts—There seems to be confusion in the minds of collectors regarding the thirteen-cent stamp, the opinion of some being that they have been "recalled." The postmaster-general ordered the manufacture of the thirteen-cent stamps discontinued under date of November 9th, 1909; and on November 12th, 1910, postmasters were notified by the department that its supply of the stamp was exhausted; at the same time it was said: "The thirteen-cent stamps already issued will continue to be valid for postage and those on hand at post offices will be sold until exhaused."

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A Stamp Show—E. B. Cookson, Rochester, N. Y., has sent us a folio showing on either side striking examples of reproduction in approximate colors of the Argentine issues, from first to last; the leaf was taken from the magazine *Caras y Caretas* of Buenos Aires, Argentine Republic. The sheet is headed, El Timbre Postal Argentina, and under the description, Alegorias y Escudos, are nineteen facsimiles, including the different designs of Buenos Aires, Corrientes, etc. Included under "Presidentes" are seventeen stamps of the portrait type; and the patriots are pictured under "Proceres de la Independencia." Among the "Aniversarios" is a 2c Sociedad de Beneficiencio de la Capital, a charity issue, that is not listed in the catalogues. A sheet such as described is really impressive as showing the stamp resources of a country; and it is graphic proof that few nations can vie with Argentina in the richness and variety of its stamp designs.

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Deposit Card—A finished proof of the deposit card for the postal savings banks was placed some time since in the hands of Postmaster-General Hitchcock; and it is understood that the printing of the cards has been successfully accomplished and that they will be ready for distribution at the forty-eight offices at which the experimental banks are to be opened January 1st, 1911. The deposit card is described as being about four inches long and two inches wide; and on the border is an engraved design, similar to those appearing customarily on United States paper securities. The engraving on the card is one with which the public is familiar and which in consequence has the aspect of "ready money." Across the top of the card are the words "United States Postal Savings Banks;" and the statement that the card, with nine ten-cent postal savings stamps, will be accepted at any postal savings depositary as one dollar. In the center of the card are ten spaces and in the first space there is an engraved stamp to represent the deposit of the ten cents with which the card is purchased. It has been told how the filled card may be exchanged for a certificate of deposit of one dollar and how twenty of the dollar certificates may be redeemed for a bond bearing interest at the rate of 2½ per cent; if the bond is not bought the depositor will receive 2 per cent. on his account.

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On Watch—The newspapers of the country are devoting much space to the propagandas for the parcels post and for one-cent letter postage, respectively. Results that are unmistakable are being shown and no longer may sentiment in favor of the reforms be ignored. It is needless to say, perhaps, that there are few dissenting opinions in the expressions of the press as to the wisdom of making the steps of progression. We suggest that the heavy guns of the reformers first be trained on the citadels of opposition to the parcels post and that they be leveled before one-cent postage is made an issue. As commentary reading to the proposal to reduce the letter postage rate, the authorities say that they propose to enforce stronger restrictions than ever against papers with second-class rates, despite the wave of protest, that inevitably follows action of the kind. Publications that are found to violate the second-class regulations will be given scant consideration; special agents are investigating newspaper offices giving no intimation that they are about to honor busy publishers with calls until they present their greetings in person. These special agents are very curiuos to analyze that somewhat vague and mysterious quality, known as "circulation" and stamp papers are not discriminated against by the visiting representatives of the government.

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Arrived—The 1911 edition of Part I of Stanley Gibbons Priced Catalogue of Stamps of the British Empire with prices in English currency has been issued and the American edition of Part I may now be looked for. An examination of the catalogue reveals many interesting features in prices and in text; and not a few changes in quotations are recorded.

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Figures of Speech—In an account of a "find" in a trunk in an attic, there were uncovered: "300 of the 5 cent, 1847; 176 of the 10 cent, 1847; 111 of the 90 cent, 1851-60; 259 of the 90 cent, 1861," etc. These figures appeared in the course of a stamp story that was published in 1886; and we call attention to them not to cast suspicion's baleful glance on them, but to rescue them from their twenty-five years' sleep of oblivion. We commend further the exactness with which the number of stamps in each case is given; and if the analyst looks askant at the even 300 of the 5-cent, 1847, we shall maintain that it is a reflex of the fact, and instead of arousing suspicion, it should allay it. The ingenious author of the statistics, flinging the guidon of truth to the breeze, hurls a challenge into the teeth of the statement that round numbers always lie. We are somewhat troubled to reconcile the numbers of the 90-cent of the first and second issues, respectively, with probability, it must be admitted. These nineties were employed rarely enough for domestic use but the high rates to foreign countries brought them into service rather frequently; we suppose that those found in the attic had been brought back to this country by returned missionaries, or something like that.

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No. 61 2d, all o. g..... $0.06
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66 6d, " " ..... .16
67 1sh, " " ..... .35
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At 35c each: 10c 1851, 30c 1861, 12c 1868 embossed, 10c 1869, 7c 1871 or 1873.

5c 1868, cat. $4.00, embossed..... 1.50
15c 1869, nice used copies..... .75
15c " " " no frame..... 1.75
1893 Columbians, 1c to 15c, unused..... .75
" " 1c to 30c, " 1.15
" " 1c to 50c, " 1.75
" " 1c to 10c, used ..... .15
" " 1c to 30c, " ..... .50
1898 Trans-Mississippi, 1c to 10c, used.... .15
" " 1c to 50c, " .... .35
1901 Pan American, 1c to 10c, " .... .15
1904 Louisiana Purchase, 1c to 10c, " .... .15
" " " 1c to 10c, unused.. .40

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*21 1907-8, ½d green.....$0.02
*22 " 1d carmine ..... .04
*23 " 2½d ultramarine..... .10
*24 " 3d violet yellow ..... .12
*26 " 6d violet..... .20
*30 " ¼d brown ..... .02
*30 " ¼d brown, blks. of 4 which show 2 types, MA of Gayman joined and spaced .10
*31 1909, 1sh green..... .40
All mint, o. g. copies. Postage extra.
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Bargains from C. F. Rothfuchs' Stock

RECENTLY PURCHASED BY US

Leeward Islands

Cat. No.		Cat. Price	Our Price	Cat. No.		Cat. Price	Our Price
* 8	5sh green and ultramarine ...	$3.75	$2.25	*12	4p lilac and orange (Jubilee)..	$1.50	$1.00

Malta

* 3	½p yellow buff.....	1.25	.75	* 4	¼p golden yellow.....	4.50	2.50
* 3a	½p buff	4.00	2.50	14	5sh rose	1.60	1.00

Mauritius

18	6p blue.....	2.00	1.25	*39	6p green, CC.....	1.85	1.35
20	1sh vermilion	2.50	1.50	*43	½p on 9p dull lilac.....	1.00	.60

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UNITED STAMP CO.,
1151 Marquette Bldg., Chicago, Ills.

THIS WEEK WE OFFER THE FOLLOWING:

* Means unused.			Cat. Price.	Our Price
		CYPRUS		
* 2	1880	1d red	$0.12	$0.05
* 3		2½d claret	.08	.03
* 18	1882	½pi green	.06	.03
* 19		¼ on ½pi green	.85	.30
* 21	1884	1pi rose	.25	.10
22a		2pi blue	.15	.06
* 31	1896	½pi green and red	.05	.03
* 32		30pa violet and green	.06	.04
* 33		1pi rose and blue	.08	.06
* 34		2pi " "	.18	.12
		GERMAN NEW GUINEA		
* 1	1897	3p brown	.08	.05
* 2		5p green	.08	.05
* 3		10p carmine	.10	.07
* 7	1900	3p brown	.02	.02
* 8		5p green	.03	.02
* 9		10p red	.05	.04
* 10		20p blue	.09	.07
* 11		25p orange	.12	.09
		GERMAN SOUTHWEST AFRICA		
* 1	1897	3p brown	.15	.07
* 7	1899	3p "	.06	.04
* 9		10p red	.15	.10
* 15	1900	10p red	.08	.05
* 16		20p blue	.09	.08
* 17		25p orange	.12	.09
		GRENADA		
* 8	1875	½d purple	.50	.25
* 20	1883	½d green	.06	.03
* 22		2½d blue	.25	.10
* 23		4d slate	.25	.15
* 24		6d lilac	.50	.25
* 29		1 on 1sh orange	1.00	.40
* 30	1887	1d rose	.10	.04
* 45	1898	2½d blue	.15	.08
* 46	1899	½d lilac and green	.12	.06
101		Unpaid 1d black	.10	.05

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Abyssinia 1907, Nos. 80, 81, 82, mint, set	$0.20
Brazil, Jubilee, " 186, 187, 188, set	.20
Gold Coast 1901, 1 on 6d, mint	.20
India, Patiala Officials, King, mint set except 3a, set of 8	1.50
Japan, Jubilee, Nos. 108, 109, mint set	.60
Montserrat 1903, ½, 1d, mint pair	.09
Papua, ½ to 1sh, mint set	.80
Siam 1906, complete set	.45

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H. W. DOSCHER & CO.,
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	Per 12.	Per 100
Argentine 1910, ½c unused	$0.06	$0.42
" 30c used	.72	5.40
" 20c "	.48	..
" 12c "	.20	1.44
" 1 peso used	1.80	..
India 1895, 3 rupees	1.56	12.00
" " 5 "	3.60	28.80
" 1903, 2 "	.48	3.96
" " 5 "	5.76	..
" 1910, 10, 15, 25 rupees(per set)	6.00	..
Siam 1900, 8 atts	.14	1.00
" " 1, 2, 3 atts, assorted	.12	.84
" 1906, 1 and 2 atts	.14	.96
" " 3 atts	.24	..
" " 4 "	.12	.96
" " 8 "	.16	1.20
" 1909, 2s on 1 atts	.14	.96
" " 3s " 3 "	.18	1.44
" " 6s " 4 "	.18	1.32
" " 12s " 8 "	.30	2.16
" " 14s " 9 "	.32	2.40
St. Settlements 1909, $5, fiscal	2.16	..

Terms, Cash per Money Order. All stamps are in good condition.
Cash Buyers, Large Wholesale Parcels.
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THE WILLIAM STAMP COMPANY,
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THE STAMP MARKET.

By Senex.

Small wholesale offers of used Bosnia, 1910, are becoming a more frequent occurrence, but this can scarcely be said of the Austrian, 1910, no cheapening of which seems to be apparent up to the moment of writing.

The Manoel series of Portugal seem to have gone up considerably during the last week or two. The cry is for used copies, and doubtless many a stamp gatherer wishes he had made a hoard of them while opportunity afforded.

Since the 1d black, British, is going up, what should there be to hinder a similar rise in the case of the 20c black. of France, 1849?

A Continental advertiser will take space in a stamp journal to advertise the Boris issue of Bulgaria at 6d per set, just as one sometimes sees the pictorial issues of U. S. A. offered in similar fashion.

Since it is rumored that the current Greek stamps will become obsolete at the end of the year, there may be wisdom in keeping an eye on the 30 and 40 lepta values. The same denominations of the 1901 set now seem to have a good value.

There is a temptation to buy recent Siams now, without minding the dearness of them.

Shall we get very many of the "Juan Fernandez" stamps over here, or will the majority of them be absorbed in the American Continent? Someone says there are about three-quarters of a million altogether.

The wholesale merchants seem to want a good price now for used Madagascar of 1904, which stamps seem to be fading from the horizon in any great quantity.

I had an idea that used German Colonials were worth from 25 to 50 per cent. above face value, but in one place I see items of these that have dropped to the face value level, though this may be but temporary.

Twenty-five and 50 lepta Greek dues are accumulating by the hundred.

The kran values of Persia, 1908, somehow, do not seem so plentiful as the same values of some preceding issues have been.

I have just seen illustrations of the new stamps for Chili, 1910; they will be popular with the pictorial stamp collector, being of attractive size, shape and workmanship.

I can't understand why the 20h Bosnia, 1906, is dearer to buy than it used to be some time back; probably the demand is found to exceed the supply.

The world of buying and selling goes on as usual, and it is a difficult matter to write about, for fear of upsetting the calculations of either buyer or seller. To quote a certain price for a given stamp, and to print the same in the pages of a popular journal, is a proceeding that calls for some judgment and discretion, lest the quotation should clash with the opinions or interests of any subscriber. Hence the absence of actual figures in this column, save on rare occasions.

It is a good sign that the market is full of buyers of small lots to sell again, which means that there is trade about. With the writer, the same attractive lines sell over and over again: Pictorial French Colonial, attractive European sets, South American, including Canal Zone, with a voluminous and prolonged *et cetera*. There are countries that do not readily sell, but such cannot be named here; the reader, no doubt, could draw up a list for himself.

As to buyers, they are of various sorts and classes. There is the "easy" buyer (of small lots), and there is the "keen" buyer. The former buys largely, the latter is a more limited plunger. Some people only buy bargains. A very small buyer is, perhaps, scarcely worth the trouble involved in correspondence, but it is to one's advantage to attend assiduously to the wants and wishes of the buyer of parcels of considerable value, and secure his perennial attachment by letting him have goods at the lowest prices and in the best condition.—*Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly.*

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Central and South American 20th Century, selected copies, also 20th Century U. S. used and unused on approval. Send reference or membership number. [44*

RE NEW WATERMARK.

By L. Harald Kjellstedt.

In reply to an inquiry, addressed to the Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, if the side margins from sheets with the new watermark will have the watermark only in every other space, and if it is possible that some of the stamps may have no watermark, the Director kindly states:

"It is possible that there may be a blank margin on a sheet of stamps, with the watermark only in alternate spaces, but it is not possible that any stamps will be printed without bearing some portion of a watermark, although it is possible that the portion of the watermark may be so small as to be not readily observed."

A BUSINESS CHANGE.

Eugene Klein, who has for some time been associated with the Philadelphia Stamp Co., has resigned his position and will open a fine suite of offices in the Empire Bldg. for the conduct of a stamp business under the name of Eugene Klein, Inc.

Mr. Klein will use a one-eighth page space in our issue of Dec. 31 and will take regular space thereafter in which to come in contact with the readers of the WEEKLY.

CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

Edited by Henry A. Kidder.

Any information regarding new issues will be gratefully received and acknowledged. Address HENRY A. KIDDER, 17 Addison St., Arlington, Mass. Letters calling for a reply should contain a self-addressed, stamped envelope. We cannot give applicants the addresses of our correspondents.

United States.—J. Arthur Wainwright writes as follows: "I have just received a 1c stamped wrapper showing a break extending from the outside oval nearly to the inside colorless oval between the 'E' and 'N' of 'Cent'. Also the 'E' of 'One' is so heavily printed as to do away with the central branch and form an almost perfect Greek 'S'. All the letters are thick but the numerals of value are a trifle thinner than those with thinner letters. I have written you before about lines on wrapper stamps and all these varieties come from Providence, R. I. I also have a block of eight 1c stamps, current issue, where a crease in the paper causes a line to run from the back of the lower right hand stamp, diagonally through the next higher left hand stamp, just touching the corner of the third right, cutting through the back of the third left and then through the head of Franklin, fourth, left, just behind the eye."

C. F. Alkire shows us some oddities, including 2c green envelope of 1887: (a) with cap over "2" and white dot below the figure; (b) no top of "C" of "Cents."

2c Columbian envelope: (a) no "F" in "of"; (b) small white line above and a little to the left of "O" of "of"; (c) no top to "O" of "of"; (d) badly printed, almost appearing to be a double impression; (e) small white dot to the left of lower arrow point.

W. E. Whitnall calls attention to a slip made in No. 1039, where the 5c of 1898, with watermark sideways, was mentioned as an oddity. Mr. Whitnall reports the 3c of 1895 and the 6c and 10c of 1898 with the same peculiarity. The watermark is put in the paper simply to make counterfeiting more difficult, and the post office officials do not care whether it is normal, inverted or sideways.

In this connection, it may not be out of place to thank our many correspondents for their kindness, and to express our satisfaction that so many of our readers are studying their stamps. We would, however, sound one note of caution; many of the varieties recently brought to our notice, are mere defects in printing, and therefore are not likely to get into the catalogue. Please bear this in mind in sending us the result of your studies; and above all, keep on studying.

Frank B. Eldredge sends us another batch of precancelled stamps, including the following:

Scott's No. 323, precancelled Lexington, Ky., over a Cincinnati, Ohio, Paid Permit.
Scott's No. 323, precancelled Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, reading up; Type I.
Scott's No. 323, precancelled Elkhart, Indiana, normal; Type IV.
Scott's No. 324, precancelled Augusta, Maine, normal and inverted; precancelling done with ordinary circular and package cancelling stamp; Type I.
Scott's No. 324, precancelled Lyons, N. Y., reading up; Type I.

Australia.—Word has come from the Commonwealth, to the effect that no overprint is to be placed on the stamps of the different states, but all are to be used indiscriminately in any state. The differing postal rates, however, are not to be changed for the present.

Brazil.—The new 600 reis stamp announced in No. 1001 has now made its appearance, specimens being shown us by Hermann Focke and the New England Stamp Co. The color and design is the same as the 400r stamp, Scott's No. 180, which it supersedes.

Adhesive.

600r olive.

Dominica.—The New England Stamp Co. has shown us the 1sh stamp in the new colors.

Adhesive.

1sh black on green.

Ecuador.—We are indebted to Hermann Focke and H. Cormack for specimens of new fiscal provisionals from Ecuador. Mr. Cormack sends us four fiscal stamps, surcharged with "Timbre—Patriotico—1910" in three lines, the stamps used being the 2c of 1905-1906, 10c of 1901-1902, 10c of 1905-1906, and 20c of 1901-1902. The latter is surcharged "Timbre—Patriotico—½—Centavo." All surcharges are in red. Mr. Cormack says that these "Patriotic" stamps were issued on the eve of the then apparent war between Ecuador and Peru. Two of the specimens sent by Mr. Cormack are postally used, and one is on the original cover.

Patriotic Adhesives.

Fiscal Stamps Surcharged as Above.
½c on 20c gray.
2c lake.
10c black.

Mr. Focke sends some provsionals, also made by surcharging fiscal stamps, the 5c green of 1907-1908 being "Bienio—1909 y 1910" like Scott's Nos. 376 to 380, with dates changed, in black reading up, and the 20c slate blue of 1905-1906 being surcharged in three lines "Correos—Cinco—Centavos," like Scott's Type A44, in black, also reading up. Both surcharges are in oval frames and all have been used for postage.

Provisional Adhesives.

Fiscal Stamps Surcharged as Above.
5c on 20c slate blue.
5c green.

Honduras.—Hermann Focke has shown us some new provisionals from Honduras, which with all her political troubles, seems to have run short of certain values of postage stamps. For some time we have noted that split provisionals were being used, but now three provisionals have been created by overprinting the 20c ultramarine of the current series. This overprint is in a large heavy type, roughly printed, possibly with a rubber stamp.

Provisional Adhesives.

"1" on 20c ultramarine; black surcharge.
"5" on 20c ultramarine green surcharge.
"10" on 20c ultramarine; red surcharge.

Liberia.—The Toledo Stamp Co. reports having received the 10c triangular stamp of the current issue, surcharged "3c Inland Postage," in blue on the ordinary stamps, and in red on the official.

Provisional Adhesive.

For Inland Postage.
3c on 10c claret and black; blue surcharge.

Provisional Official Adhesive.

For Inland Postage.
3c on 10c ultramarine and black; red surcharge.

Philippines.—Theodore Siddall sends us the 12c and 20c in the new colors, which in this case are not shades, but distinct colors. The perforation of these stamps is very bad, though the printing is well done, as usual. This leaves only the 8c, 16c, 26c and 2p to come out in the new colors. It is understood that the 10c Special Delivery is not to be changed.

Adhesives.

12c red orange.
20c yellow.

20th Century

North Nigeria 1910 (one color), 6d and 1sh..	$0.50
Barbados, 1 on green	.33
St. Kitts, 6d, 1sh, chalk	.50
Fiji, 2½ all blue	.08
Leeward, 3d	.09
Malta, error, 1 PNNEY in pair	1.00
Azores are now surcharged Republica. I can supply a few sets not surcharged at	4.50
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* 70	Sierra Leone 1903, 4p	" 1.00	"	.45
*102	St. Settlement 1902, $1	" 3.00	"	1.50
*103	" " $2	" 4.25	"	2.25
*105	" " $5	" 7.50	"	5.25

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1c buff	$0.75	$0.38
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6c blue	2.00	.30
10c yellow	3.00	.40
12c green	2.00	.30
15c brown and blue	8.00	1.75
15c " " (framed)	3.70	.75
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The managing editor of the WEEKLY has been honored with the appointment as chairman of the recruiting committee of the U. S. Revenue Society. Were we to serve any organization in that capacity, we would certainly serve the society in which our membership is Number 1 but the fact is we don't want any more recruiting honors excepting such as come to us in building up the mailing list of the WEEKLY.

We shall not soon forget our reward in laying open our mailing list in the interests of the A. P. S. We could not have worked harder for the society had we been paid a salary. And in return, in the interests of "harmony" and in defiance of all sense of justice and the expressed will of the membership, *Redfield's Weekly*, by having an earlier day of publication, gets the official matter into the mails twenty-four hours ahead of the WEEKLY.

WITH THE BOY PHILATELIST.

We propose to insert upon this page matter that will be of interest to the boy collector. Some two thousand boys are now on our mailing list and it is our desire to come closely in contact with them in such a manner as will be most helpful. Any information desired will be cheerfully rendered. If personal reply is wanted enclose stamped, self-addressed envelope.

WANTED!

We want the boy readers of this paper to take possession of this page and feel that it really belongs to them.

We want to know your difficulties and if it's possible we will straighten things out to your satisfaction.

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We want suggestions as to what you really need in order to make this page attractive and valuable.

THE MANAGING EDITOR.

OUR STAMP STUDY CONTEST.

What do you know about this stamp? What can you find out in addition to what you know? This contest is open only to readers of the WEEKLY *under 20 years of age* and replies must be received by January 3, 1911. We shall publish one or more of the winning entries and offer the following prizes:—1st. 400 all different foreign stamps; 2nd. 300 different foreign stamps and 3rd a book on U. S. stamps.

This contest will give you an incentive for studying this particular stamp while at the same time it will give you practice in expressing your thought.

AN INSTANT SUCCESS.

We have heard of successes and immediate successes but the "boy's department" we shall have to dub an "instant" success. Tuesday morning's mail gave us tangible evidence not only that the new move is appreciated but that the Stamp Study will be warmly contested. The chord we have struck is indeed a responsive one!

THE MANAGING EDITOR.

VARIOUS AIMS OF COLLECTING.

By C. E. SEVERN.

In telling the new collector just how to enter the philatelic field it is perhaps best to discriminate a little in the "raw material." New collectors may be divided into classes, first the boy who "just collects" and whose only apparent desire is to "get more than Bill Jones has" (and it must be said that some of the older collectors occasionally show a very similar trait), and second, the more earnest and thoughtful collector, be he boy or man, who takes up the pastime for what pleasure and instruction he may derive from it. We do not wish to belittle the boy of the first type for he often becomes one of Philatelia's steadfast adherents, but it is for the individual of the second type, naturally, that we are writing, as he is generally glad of advice and help in making a path for himself in his new field.

In a way, the path of the beginner is made easier now than it was years ago. Of good catalogues and hand-books there is an abundance; the commoner forgeries are much less numerous than formerly, for collectors have grown wary and counterfeiting now requires so much skill that it does not pay the counterfeiter to imitate any but the higher-priced stamps; dealers upon the whole have become better informed and more scrupulous, realizing that their own interests are identical with those of their patrons, and thus the beginner is much less exposed to fraudulent impositions. Moreover, the flood of new issues has become so large that it costs no great trouble or expense to get a respectable start on the way of the collector. On the contrary, things in another way have become harder for the beginner. The field has become so large that he soon becomes appalled at the magnitude of the task; the catalogues are so full of minor varieties, of watermarks, of papers, of perforations, that the beginner becomes discouraged at the idea of having to learn all these. It is often claimed, and with a show of reason, I admit, that this superabundance of material keeps new material out of our ranks.

USING A BLANK ALBUM.

A correspondent writes:

In arranging stamps in a blank album how is it best to mount incompleted sets? Should space be left for the missing specimens, or should there be a consecutive mounting of those already acquired, necessitating the insertion of "late arrivals" as addenda, so to speak?

Gauging our course by personal taste we would give no hard and fast regulations for proceeding in the matter. We should exercise a judgment that at times would dictate that spaces be left and again, that they be not, according to circumstances that are always present in connection with an issue. However, we rather favor the unbroken line of specimens on the page of a blank album, but care must be taken not to overcrowd the page. The stamps on a leaf, if not placed together too closely, will allow, by rearrangement, of the incorporation of late comers at the expense of a few peelable hinges and little, if any, marring of the clean page.

TAKING CARE OF STAMPS.

By C. E. SEVERN.

Use care in the selection of your specimens. Better a blank space than a torn or heavily cancelled stamp, or one with the perforations partly clipped off or otherwise damaged. In some cases of great varieties, this rule will not hold good because one is glad to get some of them in any condition, but this class is small, and with the great majority of stamps, particularly the low priced ones, there is absolutely no excuse for any but fine specimens. If the collector takes pride in his stamps, which means he will be careful in collecting, he will find it to pay in the end.

Care should be used in removing paper from the backs of the specimens before mounting them, pulling off hinges, etc., as stamps are often damaged in this way. Most stamps can be soaked, preferably in hot water, and dried on blotting paper; but a few like Russians, early Bulgarians, current United States due stamps, China 1885 issue, recent British and British Colonial stamps having green in their coloring, and stamps printed on "chalk-surfaced" paper are affected by water and should not be immersed in it. A piece of wet blotting paper against the back until the adhering paper is damp enough to remove, is the best way to treat them. Of course mounting is only to be done with hinges, and care should be taken not to soil the stamps or page when it is done.

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By virtue of a writ of execution issued out of the City Court of the City of New York, in the action of Warren H. Colson, plaintiff, against Walter Clarke Bellows, defendant, JOHN S. SHEA, Sheriff of the County of New York, will sell, at public auction, to the highest bidder at the auction rooms of the Sheriff's Auctioneer, Daniel Greenwald, No. 50 Howard St., in the Borough of Manhattan in the City of New York, on Wednesday, the fourth day of January, 1911, at half past ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day,

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QUERIES AND COMMENT.

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Our readers are cordially invited to ask the editor for any information desired concerning stamp collecting. Should a personal reply be desired kindly enclose postage. This department is for the beginner as well as the advanced collector. Address, C. E. Severn, 721 Oxford Bdg., Chicago, Ill.

Mr. de Lachasse, San Francisco, has written: "I have just received from a friend living in Paris, a ten centimes stamp of the present issue, whose color instead of being the usual vermilion-red is exactly the color of the orange of the 30 centimes; and that, to such an extent that placed side by side, the values only tell 'which is which.' Is it an error?" We must infer that the stamp mentioned by our esteemed correspondent is a changeling. Nothing has been said of a 10 centimes in orange in the French papers, we believe; and in view of the fact that red may be changed into orange, the changeling theory must be adhered to in the absence of proof to the contrary.

S.:—In 1859, the rates of postage from America to Australia were as follows: British mail, via Southampton, not exceeding half-ounce, 33 cents; British mail, via Marseilles, quarter-ounce, 39 cents, half ounce, 45 cents; by private ship from New York or Boston, half-ounce, 5 cents; by Bremen or Hamburg mail, via Marseilles and Suez, quarter-ounce, 50 cents, half-ounce, $1.02; by Bremen or Hamburg mail, via Trieste, half-ounce, 55 cents; prepayment of postage required in each instance. (2) The letter rate to Canada in 1859 was 10 cents, up to and not exceeding a half-ounce in weight, when the distance was 3,000 miles or under; when over 3,000 miles, the charge was 15 cents; prepayment optional in either case.

F. D. B.:—This reader says: "I have in my collection, an 1887-92 half-penny used, Great Britain, on blue paper. Will you tell me if such a stamp was ever issued by the government?" It is safe to say that the half-penny on blue paper was never issued by the British government; the issue of stamps is a matter of careful record and it is beyond the bounds of possibility almost to claim that such a stamp was accidentally issued. Undoubtedly, the paper of the stamp was colored in some way after it was issued.

T. R. N.:—Your 2-cent bank check, civil war revenue stamp, with postmark may have some curious interest but has no philatelic standing as the authorities prohibited the use of revenue stamps for postal purposes. (2) We shall not say that your initialed 2-cent stamp, 1895 issue, is an old issue that was treated by one of the initialing machines since the government allowed the use of these specially marked stamps but as such specimens could easily be made, no added value attaches to the stamp.

R. E.:—According to Gibbons Stamp Weekly of October 15th, the 1908 official stamps, with hole punched in them, are the stamps regularly used; but, however, collectors can "obtain from one to four sets of the stamps without this disfigurement by direct application to the Director-General."

Beginner:—It is suggested that you read the "Hints to Collectors" in the Scott catalogue, as all your questions are answered in this instructive preface. In case you have no catalogue, we do not hesitate to advise you to buy one, now that the new edition has appeared recently, as aside from its value as a guide to stamp prices, the catalogue is replete with information in the form of notes and explanations. (2) We have no list of foreign readers who desire correspondents in the United States.

E. L.:—The WEEKLY proved many years ago on evidence that was considered unimpeachable evidence that at least one of the denominations of the Phillippine "Aguinaldo" stamps was used to a limited extent for postage. Some cataloguers do not recognize the stamps of the insurrectos for what they and many others deem good and sufficient reasons.

W. N. N.:—United States stamps that are not listed imperforate in the catalogue cannot be proved as having been issued originally imperforate unless a pair be produced. (2) The three-cent, 1861, was issued in sheets of two hundred stamps; one hundred stamps were at either side of a blank central margin and after the stamps were cut into sheets of one hundred stamps each, they were sent to the postmasters.

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Paine, Chas. B.
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Maass, Herbert, 1438 Meridian St., N.W., Washington, D. C.; age legal; Stamp Dealer. Reference: Metropolitan National Bank, Washington. Proposed by Percy McG. Mann, No. 3202.

Lewis, Albert L., 1200 Penn Square Bldg., Philadelphia, Pa.; age 41; Attorney. Reference: Girard Trust Co., Philadelphia, Pa. Proposed by John W. Haseltine, No. 1964.

Kier, Aage, 225 W. 37th St., New York, N. Y.; age 24; Dealer in Postage Stamps. Reference: Metropolitan Stamp Co., New York. Proposed by W. H. Barnum, No. 585.

NEW STOCKHOLDERS.

3906. LaVaute, Napolean H., Syracuse, N. Y.
3907. Barnett, Maurice, Phila., Pa.
3908. Koch, A. F., Colpetty, Ceylon.
3909. Metz, M. G., Washington, D. C.

RESIGNATIONS RECEIVED.

1941. Yeatman, Mrs. C. P., Barranquilla, Columbia, S. A.
3464. Daskam, Ralph, Washington, D. C.
1863. Van Toor, L. A., Milwaukee, Wis.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

3033. Vidal, Juan, from Calle Merceria 1620 to Calle Union 52, Tarragona, Spain.
2711. Davis, Carl S., from 4427 Jefferson St. to 4225 Charlotte St., Kansas City, Mo.
1687. Baldwin, R. E., from 726 E. 51st St. to 6127 Woodlawn Av., Chicago, Ill.
844. Burton, Elliot H., from Box 850 to 18 Meeting St., Charleston, S. C.
2516. Webb, W. Morton, from Germiston, to Box 112, Roodepoort, Transvaal, So. Af.
1773. Rumery, E. H., from Box 116 to Box 704, Amherst, Mass.
2497. Ashbrook, Stanley B., from 407 Walnut to 1002 Mercantile Library Bldg., Cincinnati, Ohio.
2233. Lauritzen, L. A., from 318 to 422 W. 63rd St., Chicago, Ill.
1076. Bruner, P. F., from 395 Broadway to 643 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

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Total membership Dec. 10, 1910,	1747
New stockholders admitted Dec. 10,	4
Total membership Dec. 17, 1910,	1751

W. H. BARNUM, Sec.

BRANCH REPORT.

Detroit.—The 23rd regular meeting was held at the home of S. E. Heineman, Dec.9. Fifteen members and one visitor, Ed Bridgeman, present. By-laws amended, that members joining the D. P. S. and living outside of the city be associate members and have no vote. J. E. Scott was duly elected a member. Mr. Schmalzreidt reported that the Auto Company had settled with the four A. P. S. members hurt in the accident during the convention. S. E. Heineman read a request for subscriptions to the educational fund and made a few pointed remarks on that subject, requesting at least a dollar from each member. The Secretary was instructed to send a letter of condolence to the family of David Hunt, Jr. Mr. Hunt was killed in an auto accident Nov. 26. Next meeting December 23 at the Hotel Tuller grill room as guests of Messrs. Bowen and Rice.—C. F. HEYERMAN, Sec.

COMMUNICATIONS.

(We do not hold ourselves responsible for the views expressed by our readers. Our columns are always open for communications of general interest.—Ed.)

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 13, 1910.

TO THE EDITOR:

I would like to know if any one besides myself has had unsatisfactory dealings with Chas. H. Smith, of Smithton, Pa., A. P. S. No. 3085. On Sept. 20, 1909, I sent him a lot of stamps and, except a postal from him in Nov. 1909, saying he would return them soon, have been unable to get any reply.

In June, 1910, I placed the matter in an attorney's hands and they, through correspondents in his vicinity, endeavored to collect the bill but were unsuccessful, tho he promised to settle.

Besides being an A. P. S. member, this man is the express agent in his town and has posed as a stamp dealer. I would like to hear from any one interested.

F. M. MASON.

BOONTON, N. J., Dec. 13, 1910.

TO THE EDITOR:

Upon reading Alvah Clark's interesting sketch of the Trenton Philatelic Society's progress, I was surprised to note in the last paragraph thereof the statement that it is the "first and only society in the state of N. J."

If "first" is intended as first in time, then I admit that Mr. Clark is correct, but I would like to call his attention the fact the Boontoon Collectors' Association is two years old. Further, I do not think that the T. P. S. is first in importance in N. J. Here are some facts about the B. C. A.

It was founded Dec. 20, 1908. In March, 1910, it was granted a charter as Branch No. 1 of the M. P. A.

In September, 1910, we held the first and only Stamp Exhibition ever held in the State of N. J. At the same time we gave the lantern slide lecture of the Chicago Philatelic Society, the lecture being delivered by J. M. Bartels of New York, formerly of Boston.

The next convention of the Metropolitan Philatelic Association will be held at Boonton, N. J., some time in August, 1911. It may be remarked in passing that the other candidates for the honor of holding the next M. P. A. convention were Buffalo, Detroit and Cleveland.

WILLIAM C. WEBB, Sec.

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23	*War, 1c No. 582, o. g., fairly centered, very good	2.00	.65
24	*Newspaper, 50c No. 1092, o. g., perfs. touch at top, fine color	1.00	.25
25	* " $10 " 1095, o. g., nicely centered, good	1.50	.40
26	oCut Sq. Env. 1853 10c No. 1309, lightly cancelled, good, 32x34	5.00	1.75
27	o " " " 3c " 1313, fine and scarce, 35x39	10.00	3.60
28	* " " 1861 20c " 1339, fine color, very good, 33x30	8.50	3.20
29	* " " 1862 24c " 1359, good, 35x32	2.50	.90
30	* " " 1874, 2c " 1430, "Die A", good, 35x35	2.50	.90
31	* " " " 1c " 1465a, fine, 34x40	2.50	.90
32	* " " 1875, 5c " 1482, fine, 32x35	4.00	1.35
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3	1887, 3c vermilion, No. 213, unused blk. 4.	.60
4	1888, 30c orange br'n, No. 217, unused blk. 4	3.40
5	1888, 90c purple, No. 218, used, good	1.50
6	1890, 10c green, No. 226, unused blk. 4	1.00
7	1893, Columbian, 1c to 50c compl. unused	3.17
8	1895, 2c carmine, Triangle II, No. 266, unused, fine copy of a scarce stamp	.50
9	1895, $1 black, No. 276, used, fine	.50
10	1902-03, $1 black, No. 311, used, good	.40
11	1909, 2c Lincoln, No. 335, unused sht. 100	6.00
12	Columbian, 1c to 10c; Trans-Mississippi, 1c to 10c; Pan American, 1c to 10c; Louisiana Purchase, 1c to 10c, used, fine	1.43
13	U. S. Newspaper 1895, watermarked, 1c to 10c, unused	.60
14	Rev., 1c Playing Cards, perf., fine	3.00
15	Rev., 5c Playing Cards, perf	.75
16	Rev., 5c Proprietary, perf	.75
17	53 varieties U. S. Revenues	4.27
18	Rev., No. 2994, strip of 3, with Plate No.	..
	FOREIGN	
19	Br. Cent. Africa 1901, Nos. 57, 58, 59, unused	1.12
20	Br. Guiana 1898, Pictorial, Nos. 149, 150, 151, used	1.70
21	Br. New Guinea ½d, No. 1, unused blk. 4	.48
22	Br. New Guinea 1d, No. 2, unused blk. 4	.48
23	Brunei 1907, Nos. 13 to 22, surcharged "Specimen," rare in this condition, cat. unused	2.43
24	Canal Zone Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7, unused	1.70
25	Cayman Islands Nos. 1 and 2, in blocks of 4, unused	.64
26	Cayman Islands No. 25, unused	3.00
27	Danish West Indies 1902, 2c on 3c blue and lake, No. 24, full sheet of 100, including 8 copies of the error No. 24a, a bargain	18.60
28	France 1906, 10c, with ground, unused block of 4	.60
29	Great Britain 1883-84, 10sh, No. 109, used	1.00
30	Gt. Britain 1900, 1sh, No. 126, unused, fine	1.00
31	Guatemala 1902, Nos. 109 and 110, in unused blks. of 4	.40
32	Hawaii 1875, 12c black, No. 36, used, fine	1.50
33	Hawaii 1893, 50c red, No. 72, unused, fine	2.00
34	Hawaii 1896 Official, compl. set, unused	5.60
35	New Brunswick 1851, 3d red, No. 1, used, good	4.50
36	Newfoundland Jubilee, 1897, 30c, used, fine	.50
37	Newfoundland Jubilee, 1897, 60c, used, fine	1.00
38	Orange River No. 51, and six of No. 54, on cover, fine	.43
39	Orange River 1sh on 5sh green, No. 60, unused block of 4	2.00
40	Panama 1c green, No. 129, unused block of 30 stamps, 3 have no accent on "Panama"	..
41	Philippines 4c brown, No. 229, unused, fine	1.00
42	Philippines 3c claret, No. 455, unused, fine	.50
43	Roumania 1903, 2 lei, No. 167, unused	1.00
44	Seychelles 1893, 15c, No. 16, unused blk. 4	.80
45	Seychelles 1902, 30c on 75c, Scott's No. 34, unused pair, showing Gibbons' Nos. 46 and 50, very rare	..
46	Sarawak 1902, 2c gray green, No. 48, unused, fine	.50
47	Sarawak 1902, No. 48, unused blk. of 4.	2.00
48	Sarawak Nos. 10, 12, 29 and 47, in unused blocks of 4	2.20
49	Victoria Revenues, 7 varieties used postally, not catalogued	..
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51	1861, 30c orange, No. 71, damaged, used	.60
52	1862, 5c brown, No. 76, slight tear, otherwise very fine	.60
53	1862, 24c gray lilac, No. 78, off centre, heavily canc	.60
54	12c black, No. 90, perf. all cut off	.75
55	15c black, No. 98, half perfs. missing	1.00
56	1869, 1c buff, No. 112, badly off centre	.75
57	1869, 6c blue, No. 115, used	.75
58	1869, 10c yellow, No. 116, notch at right, otherwise fine	.85
59	1869, 12c green, No. 117, heavily canc	.75
60	24c, No. 153, faded and stained	1.50
61	1890, 90c orange, No. 229, unused, fine	2.00
62	Agriculture, 6c used	1.00
63	Executive, 2c, surch. "Specimen", fine	..
64	Justice, 3c, No. 526, notched at top, used	.75
65	Navy, 10c, off centre, notch at bottom	1.75
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90	France, cover with Nos. 53, 59 and 63	..
91	France, cover with two copies of No. 59 and one of No. 63	..
92	Gt. Britain, four wrapper and post card stamps, cut square and used on covers	..
93	Mexico, Nos. 298, 299 and 300 on cover, with registration stamp	..
94	New Caledonia, 6 copies of No. 55 on cover, one torn	..
95	Salvador, No. 343, on cover	..
96	Transvaal, No. 215, on cover, "Passed Press Censor," dated "Pretoria"	..
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